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Sport and show business rally to Conservatives

● Young people at a rally attended by show business and sporting personalities gave Mrs Thatcher an ovation after a speech in which she portrayed the Conservatives as the party for youth and Labour as the party of pessimism

● A secret Treasury memorandum indicates that the Conservatives have concealed the need for a radical review of public spending plans

● Mr Foot spoke at a Hyde Park rally, attended by between 15,000 and 20,000 people, at the end of the People's March for jobs

Thatcher message of optimism gets Tory youth ovation

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

Mrs Margaret Thatcher swept confidently into the final week of the election campaign amid scenes of extraordinary fervour yesterday, as show business and sports perfomers joined about 2,500 wildly cheering young people in an almost adoring display of their allegiance.

The Wembley Conference Centre in north London was full of foot-stamping, flag-waving, horn-blowing young Conservatives from all over Britain, who gave the Prime Minister an astonishing reception before, during and after a speech in which she portrayed the Conservatives as the party for youth and Labour as the party of pessimism.

They stood cheering and singing for 10 minutes after her 45-minute speech, which had been preceded by an hour of entertainment compered by Bob Monkhouse and Jimmy Tarbuck, who introduced the many stage, screen and sports personalities, nearly all of them sporting Conservative badges.

It will be seen as a remarkably adept piece of political salesmanship. There were many performers from the world of sport including Steve Davis, the world snooker champion; Sharon Davies, the Olympic swimming medallist; Brian Jacks and Neil Adams, the judo champions; Fred Trueman, the former Yorkshire and England cricketer and Terry Neill, the Arsenal manager.

Lynsey de Paul composed and sang a song entitled "Tory, Tory, Tory". Kenny Everett, introduced as "one of the nation's great political thinkers", appeared on stage with two gigantic hands.

The "warm-up" for Mrs Thatcher's appearance was concluded by Mr Cecil Parkinson, the party chairman, who had also received a thunderous welcome. He spoke of the Conservatives' opponents trying to avoid discussing their politics and trying to hide their leaders, and declared to rapturous applause: "We have no doubt about our leader. We are proud of Margaret Thatcher."

By the time Mrs Thatcher arrived on stage to the tune of the pop song "I Can't Let Maggie Go", her audience was in a state of feverish excitement.

So great was their enthusiasm that Mrs Thatcher had to calm them down when, only a few seconds into her address, they gave her a standing ovation for saying that the rally showed Britain's young people wanted another Conservative government. She told them: "That was marvellous, but there is a lot more to come yet."

The Prime Minister's speech was cleverly suited to the occasion, presenting the Conservatives as a party of vigour and Labour as the "no help" party. She said that there was an excitement and enthusiasm at the rally which was the envy of all the other parties.

There was a resounding "No" from the audience when Mrs Thatcher asked whether Labour could have managed such an event. She said: "In the old days perhaps, but not now. For they are the party of yesterday, and tomorrow is ours."

Brandishing the Labour manifesto, as she has done so many times during the campaign, Mrs Thatcher said: "It's a grim catalogue – a list of proposals aimed at destroying the spirit of enterprise and the chance to display and develop your talent, your ability, your excellence whatever it may be, and wherever you choose to develop it."

She went on: "Labour is the pessimistic party. It spreads its gloom wherever it goes. There is no joyous acceptance of what is right and determination to improve what is wrong. There is no pride in Britain's achievements."

Mrs Thatcher's speech made only the briefest reference to the Alliance, and again presented Labour as the only alternative government.

She said that the Conservatives were determined to fight to rid the nation of the evil of unemployment. She made a brief allusion to the Falklands when she said that the Conservatives felt freedom was worth defending, "even though it be challenged 8,000 miles away".



Thumb up: Mr Denis Thatcher lending a hand at Wembley yesterday.

Alliance is second Owen says

From Barrie Clement
Bath

The Alliance is now the second force in British politics and is the only group which can prevent a Tory landslide, Dr David Owen, deputy leader of the Social Democratic Party, said yesterday.

In an open-air speech in Bath, a confident Dr Owen put forward the "three sticking points" which would have to be negotiated with the Conservatives in the event of a hung parliament.

The first would be the introduction of measures to reduce unemployment, the second an increased effort to secure multilateral disarmament and the third a referendum on proportional representation.

Dr Owen said: "We would say to such a government, by all means stand firm in the proper defence of Britain, but you must take the concern about the nuclear arms race and the survival of our people into account."

He said that if the Alliance were in a position of "pivotal strength", it would say to the Tories: "You must not believe that the election system is fair when millions of people voted for us without that being reflected in the number of seats. You must ask the people whether they think that is a fair system."

He said that under proportional representation "negotiated government" would probably be the norm.

On the subject of unemployment, he said that "the stainless steel" Tories would have to be influenced by a strong Alliance presence.

The Alliance feced a "monumental" task if it were to form the next government; however, he still thought that during the next three-and-a-half days, the task was not impossible.

Secret Howe note suggests more cuts

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

A secret Treasury memorandum from Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chancellor of the Exchequer, indicates that the Conservatives have deliberately concealed from the electorate the need for a "radical" review of long-term public expenditure plans.

The full memorandum, which has been obtained by *The Times*, includes a comment from Sir Geoffrey that "We must find new ways of permitting some of the demands to be met, both by encouraging people to make extra provisions for themselves, at least at the margin, and by finding ways in which those extra services demanded can be supplied without burdening the Exchequer.

"We must consider the extent to which we are denying ourselves room for manoeuvre by past pledges and commitments."

Mr Shore: "Shameful dishonesty".

Mr Peter Shore, the shadow chancellor, yesterday published a number of Treasury papers relating to last autumn's public expenditure review; the basis for the current Public Expenditure White Paper.

Although those papers, outlining scenarios for growth of 2.5 per cent a year for the decade and, alternatively, and perhaps more realistically, for growth of less than 1 per cent a year, had already been leaked, Sir Geoffrey's key commentary puts a new perspective on the election campaign.

Senior Treasury sources were last night attempting to discount the paper, saying that it had been overtaken by the White Paper. But the burden of Sir Geoffrey's argument is that public spending must be curbed in the long term.

But, more significantly in the light of the current election campaign, Sir Geoffrey also says: "It is essential that we get across to the country at large the nature of the longer term problems of public spending and then seek its support and understanding for sensible ways of solving them."

Instead of that, the Conservative campaign has been carefully constructed around the current expenditure White Paper, and Mr Shore said yesterday: "The existence of these documents and of these plans, and their deliberate concealment in the Conservative manifesto, expose the central and shameful dishonesty of this campaign."

The Prime Minister said in an interview on London Weekend Television's *Weekend World* yesterday: "We have laid out our plans for the next three years of public spending. They are there for everyone to see, for everyone to discuss. In a way, I wish more discussion had concentrated on these instead of the scares and the leaked documents that we have had."

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Union chief urges vote for Liberals

By Paul Routledge
Labour Editor

Labour was hit by fresh internal trouble yesterday after it was disclosed that a leading trade union leader on the right of the party is advising many of his members to vote Liberal.

Mr Roy Grantham, general secretary of the Association of Professional, Executive, Clerical and Computer Staff, which has 123,000 members, has urged tactical voting in an article in his union journal. He tells clerical workers in the South and West that voting for the Liberals where they have a chance of unseating the Tories "is good sense".

Mr Grantham's "vote Liberal" proposal arises in the context of a discussion about the SDP and Mrs Shirley Williams, once an APEX-sponsored Labour MP. The white-collar union leader writes: "What about the Alliance? I remember telling Shirley Williams when she was thinking about leaving the Labour Party that the only result would be to split the vote against the Conservatives and guarantee that they retained power. She was half persuaded then.

"Today all can see that a vote for the SDP is a vote to keep in power the worst government this country has had for over a century. The Liberals are a different story. They can win a number of Conservative seats in South and West."

Mr Grantham's remarks are printed just above an advertisement in the APEX journal placed by the Labour Party, which urges: "Think positive, vote Labour". The bulk of his article is taken up with arguments to do just that "if you want a caring, economically-sane Government committed to a realistic defence policy, not to a jingoistic theme of massing up more and more nuclear warheads."

But the Liberals are pleased that their campaign to persuade the electorate to make use of tactical voting has found an echo in such a highly-placed Labour quarter.

Mr Paul Tyler, former Liberal MP for Bodmin in the 1974 Parliament, told *The Times* that mass defections of working people from Labour in Devon and Cornwall could hand the Alliance at least half of the 16 seats there.

● Leaders of the General, Municipal and Boilermakers, the third largest union, defiantly continued to assert that Labour would win the election when their annual conference opened at Scarborough yesterday (the Press Association reports).

Drink clubs blamed for Brixton trouble

By Nicholas Timmins

Lambeth Council is to be asked to repossess two houses on Brixton's "front line" which are being used as illegal drinking clubs, after a series of incidents which culminated on Saturday night in a police panda car being set on fire and an officer slashed across the back with a knife.

Saturday's incident followed increasing tension around Railton Road, the scene of riots in 1981, after a period when police had believed relationships were improving in the area since the introduction of neighbourhood policing last November.

That scheme, which sent up to six officers in pairs on to the streets round the clock, backed by district support units, was said by the police to have eased tension, and contributed to a marked drop in street crime.

But a paper to be put to the Lambeth community police consultative group tomorrow night says that in recent weeks, with better weather, lighter evenings and more people on the streets, "tension has started to increase again".

Chief Supt Tony Speed, the new uniform head of Brixton police, says in the paper that incidents of open hostility, both verbal and physical, towards police have increased markedly.

"Minor incidents of verbal abuse and occasional stones thrown at patrolling officers from the crowd which gathers in Railton Road have developed and culminated in a number of more serious incidents", he says.

In Saturday's incident, according to Scotland Yard, the police stopped two men on suspicion of possessing drugs. A crowd gathered, a police personal radio was stolen, an officer was slashed across the back with a knife and a police panda car was set on fire.

The district support unit was called and the incident quickly died down. The officer was treated for a flesh wound at King's College Hopsital and a man has been charged with theft of a police radio and assault with intent to avoid arrest.

The incident occurred in Mayall Road, near one of the houses which have been taken over as shebeens – illegal drinking clubs which the police say provide a focus for the drugs trade

In his paper, written last week, Chief Supt Speed says that the "honeymoon" period for the policing scheme may be ending as it is "now seen by some as a threat to their activities, particularly on the drugs scene.

"Whatever the reasons, it is absolutely essential that the hard work and achievements of the partnership between police and the community should not be allowed to be destroyed by a few (and it is only a handful) who are opposed to any sort of reasonable lawful behaviour".

Detective dies in shooting

Four men and two women are expected to appear at Hamilton Sheriff Court today after an incident in Lanarkshire over the weekend in which one policeman died and three others were injured, one seriously.

The dead man was Detective Sergeant William Ross Hunt, aged 56, who was married with three sons. His colleague, Acting Detective Constable Duncan Nicholson, aged 37, also married, has been detained in hospital with serious chest and leg injuries. His condition was reported last night to be stable.

Two other policemen, John Hair, aged 26, and Robert Wilson Gillan, aged 26, were also injured in the incident.

The four had been investigating a report of assault at a house in Earn Gardens, Larkhall, early yesterday when they were attacked by a group of people. Back-up officers sealed off the area and after door-to-door inquiries, six people were arrested.

Wave of dissent sweeps Israel

From Christopher Walker
Jerusalem

A wave of internal criticism to mark today's first anniversary of Israel's invasion of Lebanon has been accompanied by the imposition of curfews throughout the occupied West Bank, and a new security alert for the 30,000 Israeli troops still on Lebanese soil in anticipation of violent Arab protests.

With about 60,000 Israelis gathering in Tel Aviv on Saturday night, for a mass anti-war rally, the domestic dissension over the continued involvement in Lebanon has provided a sharp reminder to the Government of the growing unpopularity of the army's presence there.

Sources close to Mr Menachem Begin, the Prime Minister, reacted angrily to the weekend of national soul searching which also saw the planting of two of the largest booby-trap bombs smuggled into Jerusalem for several years. Both were safely defused.

Following critical analysis which included a four-hour programme on Israel Radio, government officials said: "The orgy of published and broadcast evaluations of the Lebanon war this weekend is harmful to vital Israeli interests and can only make the resolution of the conflict more difficult".

Observers noted that the bitter debate has done more than anything in recent months to point up the deep divisions now threatening the fabric of Israeli society. Many of the local criticisms have been equally, if not more, hostile than those voiced abroad.

The officials reflecting the view of Mr Begin commented with a note of exasperation: "The Syrians are standing on the sidelines and are watching us with bemused delight. Why should they budge from their position, and evacuate Lebanon, when they can read about discord and dissension in Israel? Why should they pull out if there is pressure in Israel for unconditional withdrawal?"

The protests continued yesterday as more reserve soldiers and officers who have pledged to return their Lebanon campaign ribbons to the Defence Ministry, demonstrated outside the weekly Cabinet meeting.

Calls for Mr Begin's resignation and an immediate withdrawal of all Israeli troops from Lebanon dominated the Tel Aviv rally, which came at the end of a week-long march from the Lebanon border by members of the Peace Now group.

As a result of violent anti-war protests in the West Bank, in which six members of the Israeli security forces were injured, the main Palestinian university in Nablus, the largest occupied town, was closed by military order for the rest of 1983.

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Three-inch hailstones lash south coast

Freak storms with hailstones three inches in diameter lashed south coast resorts yesterday and led disappointment for thousands of Londoners who had lined the Thames to see a flypast by the American space shuttle.

The weather forced the shuttle to abandon plans to fly 2,000 feet above the Thames from Heathrow airport to the Woolwhich Ferry. Instead it took a higher flightpath, confining the view of many to a brief glimpse of the spacecraft riding on its host aircraft, a Boeing 747.

The flypast brought out hundreds of thousands of sightseers in central London, according to the AA. "Every bridge across the Thames was blocked with parked cars. It was virtually impossible to cross the river for an hour", a spokesman said.

But a crowd estimated at 174,000 saw the shuttle at Stansted Airport in Essex when it touched down for a two-day visit en route from the Paris Air Show. The sun stayed out long enough for the shuttle crew, led by astronaut Mr Paul Weitz, to be welcomed on its first visit to Britain by the Bishop Stortford town band.

The London Weather Centre received scores of reports of cars dented and greenhouses smashed by the freak hailstorms on a day the weathermen predicted would have dry sunny spells. A Weather Centre spokesmen said the storms had started in the West Country and unexpectedly moved rapidly east. The coast of Sussex, Dorset and Hampshire was worst affected.

They showered Mr Norman Griffith's garden at Hayling Island, Hampshire (right).

The lifeboat at Poole, Dorset was launched to tow in a 15-foot fishing boat which was struck by lightning a mile off Bournemouth. The sunny forecast encouraged hundreds of weekend sailors out into the Channel.

A coastguard said: "We are delighted we never lost anyone. We have dealt with dozens of emergency calls but so far we've managed to save everyone."



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Tomorrow

The Monaco Succession
Prince Rainier talks to Alan Hamilton about the future and his planned abdication

What well-dressed joggers wear
Suzy Menkes on the family sports fashion boom

Foot on Thatcher
The Government's success story is based on a lie, the Labour leader tells Julian Haviland

Computer Horizons
The impact of the election campaign on industry; a sixth-former's view of career opportunities

Weekend jail for killing black

Jail at weekends only was the sentence imposed by a Pretoria court on a white youth who beat a black to death using karate sticks. Another Pretoria court heard of a white gang's plan to let syphilis-infected mice loose in Sun City, the Las Vegas-style entertainment complex where the races can mingle Page 6

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Talks aimed at ending the machine room pay dispute that has halted publication of the *Financial Times* since Wednesday broke down last night after two days. The management said that the National Graphical Association had enlarged its claim

Sotheby suitor

The identity of the unnamed American bidder for Sotheby's, the auction house, may be revealed this week. The mystery offer was announced just as an earlier bid was about to go unconditional Page 19

Crime course

Scotland Yard offices are to be trained in American techniques for assessing and handling information obtained in its criminal investigations Page 3

Senate gloom

A Senate report released in Washington was pessimistic about the chances of an early arms control agreement and painted a gloomy picture of US-Soviet relations Page 6

Conductor dies

Sir Anthony Lewis, the conductor, composer and musicologist who was principal of the Royal Academy of Music for 14 years, died suddenly yesterday at his home in Haslemere, Surrey.

Perks dropped

Marks and Spencer has dropped its "cheap homes" scheme, which allowed directors to live in company-owned houses at low rents Page 19

Prix winner

Michele Alboreto, the Italian driving a British Tyrrell car, won the Detroit Grand Prix. British drivers John Watson and Nigel Mansell finished fourth and sixth respectively Page 23

Ballesteros out

Severiano Ballesteros, the Spanish golfer, was disqualified from the Silk Cut Masters at Chepstow after it was found that his card had been wrongly marked. The event was won by Ian Woosnam, of Wales Page 24

Document shows Elgin had permission to take Parthenon marbles

By Christopher Warman, Arts Correspondent

A document which proves that Lord Elgin had permission to remove marbles from the Parthenon in 1801 is to be shown at a meeting of the Byron Society in London tonight.

It is in the possession of Mr William St Clair, joint chairman of the society, and is the only existing document supporting Lord Elgin's claim that he was entitled to bring the sculptures back to Britain and refuting the suggestion that he took them by skulduggery or bribery.

The document is a copy in Italian of a *firman*, a legal authorization, from the Turkish Government in Constantinople to the Governor of Athens, giving Lord Elgin perission to dig at the Acropolis and take things away.

It concludes that no one should meddle with the work of Lord Elgin and his team, "nor hinder them from taking away pieces of stone with inscriptions or figures".

Mr St Clair is the author of an account of the controversy, *Lord Elgin and the Marbles*, and came across the *firman* during his reseaches. It belonged, with many other papers, to Philip Hunt, who was chaplain and private secretary to Lord Elgin.

Hunt had insisted on the translation into Italian, the *lingua franca* of the time, when the *firman* was issued, to help to persuade the Governor of Athens to allow the removal of the marbles.

It came into the possession of his great grand-niece, a Mrs Longland, who lived in Abingdon, Oxfordshire, and bequeathed it to Mr St Clair after he had visited her during his work on the book.

The document was shown to a parliamentary select committee before it decided in 1816 to approve the circumstances of the acquisition of the marbles, which allowed their purchase for £35,000 by the British Government.

At tonight's meeting arguments for the return and retention of the marbles will be heard. Mr St Clair, as chairman of the meeting, is understandably reluctant to give his views on the matter, adding that he has "no strong personal feelings".

He said yesterday that the document was ambiguous because it was probably misinterpreting the meaning of the words to say that permission to dig and take away meant that Lord Elgin could take sculptures from the building.

In 1810, however, when there was still a large number of antiquities waiting to be shipped, questions were asked about whether they had been legally acquired.

"A second *firman* was obtained, of which no copy has survived, which permitted the marbles to be shipped and legitimated everything that had been done earlier", Mr St Clair said.

Byron, through such poems as "Childe Harold's Pilgrimage", helped to establish the cause of Greek nationalism and the view of the Parthenon as a national monument which history did not entirely justify.

Mr St Clair said: "The case for the return of the marbles is not strengthened by unfairly attacking the memory of Lord Elgin or distorting modern Greek history to make it more Hellenic than it really is."

The Greek Embassy in London said yesterday that Miss Melina Mercouri, the Greek Minister of Culture, intended during the Greek presidency of the EEC from July to invite arts and culture ministers to meet in Greece, possibly in Delphi.

Colin Roach inquest opens after five months

By Nicholas Timmins

The inquest into the death of Mr Colin Roach from shotgun wounds in the entrance to Stoke Newington police station, north London, in January opens tomorrow.

The hearing is being held before a jury at Clerkenwell County Court in London after a protracted dispute over where it should take place.

Since Mr Roach's death, some ninety people have been arrested on demonstrations and marches calling for an independent public inquiry: a campaign for this by the Roach Family Support Committee had received grants from the Greater London Council and the London borough of Hackney.

The hearing was to be held at St Pancras Coroner's Court, but after attempts by the GLC and Hackney to change the venue which led to a High Court hearing, it was moved to the Clerkenwell court which has more space for the public.

Police say they are convinced that no one else was involved in the death of Mr Roach.

Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, has rejected calls for an independent public inquiry.

The Home Office has said the inquest will provide an independent inquiry. Mr Raymond Kidwell, for Dr Douglas Chambers, the coroner, told the High Court however that the hearing would be a long way short of the sort of public inquiry that the campaigners were seeking.

The commission urged that an independent inquiry into policing in Hackney and Stoke Newington should be held to establish why relations between the community and police there were so bad and getting worse, when relations elsewhere in London were improving.

Relations have not been eased by a dispute between Hackney council and the Home Office over the setting up of a police/community consultative group. The left-wing council wants to use the GLC model, and make such a group a sub-committee of its police committee, while the Home Office wants the group to be independent of council control.

Policeman's best friend: Constable Raymond Cooper and Myra, a German shepherd bitch who has won Police Dog Action of the Year award for 1982.

Myra, who is due to retire from the Metropolitan Police in September, has been with Constable Cooper, aged 31, for nearly seven years since the age of three months.

They were on duty together in central London last October when rival groups of football fans from Leeds and Chelsea ran riot in Piccadilly Circus Underground station. With Myra's help, Constable Cooper kept the sets of battling supporters apart for 10 minutes until reinforcements arrived. By then the fans were threatening to throw him on to the line: 153 were arrested.

Constable Cooper says he probably owes his life to Myra. The award is shared with Joss, a dog handled by Constable John Kirkwood of the North Wales police.

Photograph: Chris Harris.

Science report

Virus may be linked in Aids victims

By the Staff of *Nature*

The lethal disease Aids ("acquired immune deficiency syndrome") has claimed a victim in Paris, a man aged 31 who did not belong to any of the groups known to be predisposed to Aids, according to his doctors, writing in the *Lancet*.

He was not a homosexual, nor a drug addict; he was not Haitian (Haitians in the United States have proved prone to the disease). But four years ago he had a transfusion of Haitian blood. And his blood cells suggested the presence of a virus, human T-cell leukaemia, or HTLV for short, which is increasingly being implicated in Aids cases.

But what to make of this connexion with the Caribbean and with HTLV? Is it merely circumstantial? Aids patients suffer a collapse in the production of certain white blood cells, the T-helper cells, which normally help the antibodies of the immune system attack invading organisms. The patients fall ill because of of a failure to repel the many microscopic invaders we are all subject to every day. HTLV could be just one of these invaders. And the link with Haiti might just be a statistical fluke.

However, there is other evidence. One in four male homosexuals suffering from Aids in the United States has antibodies against HTLV, showing that their bodies have begun a defence against it; but only one in 80 Aids-free homosexuals had the antibodies, according to an American study recently published in *Science*. This suggests that only the Aids patients had been exposed to the virus.

In other American work, two out of 33 Aids patients were found to harbour the genes of HTLV, which integrate themselves into the genetic material of the human T-cells. And in French work, one case has been indentified as linked with HTLV, and another with a closely-related virus.

Indeed this last clue may indicate why the evidence so far the HTLV-Aids link has been partial: perhaps there is a whole class of viruses like HTLV, but not exactly similar to it, which can infect the T-cells. Different members of the class might induce slightly different antibodies, or have different genetic sequences, so eluding too-precisely defined tests.

However, there are still many uncertainties. HTLV was first indentified as the cause of a rare form of leukaemia in Japan. It also has a focus in the Caribbean, particularly in Haiti. But in Japan, the virus does not appear to cause Aids; and infection with HTLV often caused no symptons of any kind.

However, they happen to be fashionable fields of research.

Source: *The Lancet*, pp187 and 1200 (May 28, 83); *Nature*, vol 303 p377 (June 2, 83).

Test case appeal may affect unions

Scotland's senior judge and the country's top law officer will figure in an historic appeal hearing at the High Court in Edinburgh tomorrow.

Lord Emslie, the Lord Justice-General, will preside over a panel of three senior judges hearing the Crown's appeal against the acquittal of eight hospital laboratory technicians charged under the 108-year-old Conspiracy Act. The charges followed a work-in at laboratories at the Victoria Hospital, Kirkcaldy.

The Crown, which has confirmed that the issues raised by the case "have certainly not been tested in Scotland before", is expected to be represented by Lord Mackay, the Lord Advocate. Lord Emslie will be joined on the bench by Lord Cameron and Lord Avonside.

The fact that Scotland's highest judicial authority and chief prosecutor are both involved underlines the importance of the case which could have far-reaching implications for the trade union movement throughtout Britain.

The laboratory workers will be represented by Mr Hugh Morton QC.

The technicians were arrested after police swooped to end the work-in at dawn on September 25 last year.

Seven women and five men were charged under the Conspiracy and Protection of Property Act, 1875, but the case against one man was temporarily deserted because of ill health and three women were cleared when the Crown accepted there was insufficient evidence against them.

After a two-week adjournment, Sheriff William Christie acquitted the remaining four men and four women at Kirkcaldy Sheriff Court on March 8.

In his written judgement, he upheld Mr Morton's motion that there was insufficient evidence to establish that a contravention of Section 7 of the Act had taken place.

Two die in air crash near M62

Two people died yesterday afternoon when a light aircraft crashed about a hundred yards from the M62 in Greater Manchester.

The pilot and passenger died when it came down in a ploughed field close to the motorway works unit near Eccles.

Their names were not released immediately.

Porpoise raises drowning fear

A porpoise which has appeared in a swollen river in industrial South Yorkshire, 80 miles from the sea, is making police anxious about public safety.

So many sightseers have turned up on the banks of the river Don at Doncaster, hoping to catch a glimpse of the mammal, that police fear there could be a drowning, and have appealed to them to stay away from the river.



Mr Ronald Gregory, who was criticized over police handling of the hunt for the Yorkshire Ripper, retired yesterday as chief constable of West Yorkshire, exactly 14 years after taking over the job.

Booby trap bomb kills agricultural contractor

From Richard Ford, Belfast

Mr Andrew Stinson, a part-time member of the Ulster Defence Regiment, was killed on Saturday when a booby trap bomb exploded as he started a mechanical excavator in a field at Dungannon in Co Tyrone. Mr Stinson, aged 35, an agricultural contractor, was married with three children. A man and a boy, aged 10, who had been taking to him minutes earlier were treated for shock.

The vehicle had been standing idle in the field for five days because the bad weather had halted work.

● A man was being questioned by detectives in Belfast yesterday after Mr William Johnstone aged 32, a Roman Catholic married with three young children, was stabbed to death, at Unity Flats in the city on Saturday.

Abbey's stolen medieval bust resurfaces

Return of the mysterious knight

By Kenneth Gosling

A medieval marble bust stolen 10 years ago from the crypt of Waltham Abbey, Essex, has been returned to Britain from the United States after an investigation by the Metropolitan Police, which is satisfied that none of the transactions involving the bust was illegal.

Now the church may take legal action to have it returned. That will depend on what the parochial church council decides to do, especially in view of an extensive restoration scheme being planned by the abbey.

After the theft the bust, which depicts the head of a knight in chain mail, was uncovered by a bulldozer on a building site, where it had apparently been dumped by the thieves.

It was held by the police in New York after it was discovered to have been sold by a London dealer to the Metropolitan Museum there.

It is now back with the dealer who was not available for comment yesterday; but Kenneth Bascombe, curator of the abbey's historical society, said: "I would hope we can obtain access to it now it is back in this country but I do not know what exactly we will do with the head if we do get it back".

The bust is believed to have been dug up in the church ground within the last 50 years. A 1919 catalogue of the abbey's antiquities shows no reference to the head and much of its history is a blank, Dr Bascombe said. "A local worthy says he recalls it being dug up in the churchyard some time before the war, but I have been back through local records, including newspapers, and it is not reported."

Arthritics 'denied treatment'

Thousands of arthritis sufferers are enduring unnecessary pain and disability because 59 health authorities have not appointed specialist rheumatologists, according to a report by the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council.

The report, released yesterday says trained rheumatologists are waiting to take up posts but the authorities have made no moves to appoint them. It gives a warning that treatment available to arrest arthritis is not reaching many sufferers because there is no consultant rheumatologist available.

The report, prepared by Dr Philip Wood and Dr Elizabeth Badley, of the council's research unit in Manchester, names the 59 health authorities.

Hospital orders inquiry into drowning of patient

From Our Correspondent, Gloucester

A psychiatric hospital has launched an internal inquiry into the drowning of a patient, Mr Philip Cross, aged 30, of Winton Road, Cheltenham, who wandered off from his ward at Coney Hill hospital, Gloucester, on Friday night, was found dead an hour later in the river Twyver, which runs through the grounds. He appeared to have fallen from a wall at the river's edge, the police said.

His distraught father, Mr Geoffrey Cross, aged 66, a retired civil servant, said yesterday: " He was in a very disturbed and confused state. The hospital had made 'a temporary order detaining him on Thursday, and he should never have been allowed to go off alone in his condition."

Mr. Graham Jones, acting hospital administrator, said yesterday: "An investigation is under way, although the relatives have not yet made any formal complaint. There will be full interviews with all staff who were on duty at the time but at this stage it is too early to say exactly how this tragedy occurred."

Mr Cross had been an accomplished student,. obtaining nine O-levels and three A-levels. He successfully completed a year's study of English at Birmingham university, before be became ill.

Doctor told to clean his surgery

By Frances Gibb

A General Practitioner whose surgery is "absolutely filthy" and considered a health hazard has been given until Monday to clean it up or have his rent and rate reimbursements stopped.

The doctor, who has not been identified, may also face a medical service committee hearing which could involve further financial penalty.

Conditions at his surgery in the Redbridge and Waltham Forest area of north-east London came to light after a complaint by a patient and a routine visit by the local family practitioner committee.

Mr George Walker, administrator of the committee, said yesterday: The surgery and waiting room are filthy. The curtains and couch covers are covered in thick layers of dust and there are wires hanging from the ceiling which we think are very dangerous and particularly concerned about."

The doctor, whose case is highlighted in yesterday's *General Practitioner*, was first warned about the state of his premises informally six months ago, Mr Walker said.

Video challenge to TV licence

A man accused of having nc receiver's licence told Malvern magistrates last week that he used his television set only to screen video films. The magistrates adjourned the hearing to seek legal advice.

A Home Office spokesman said yesterday: "Under the law as it stands you need a licence to recieve BBC and ITV signals." But on the question of videos only, he said: "I cannot interpret the law."

D. H. Lawrence honour sought

The D. H. Lawrence society plans to write to MPs after the general election, seeking support for the placing of a plaque commemorating the writer in Poets' Corner at Westminster Abbey.

Egg glut worries farmers

Britain's egg farmers are attempting to end a glut caused by 25 million extra eggs reaching the market each week. At least five million a week are imported from France.

While a general culling scheme has been rejected by the British Egg Industry Council, producers are being urged to reduce the size of their laying flocks if they have not got customers for their eggs.

With a national total of about 54 million birds, there are some 25 million surplus eggs laid each week. Up to two million birds may have to be destroyed before that is corrected.

The council is to press the Government on the EEC surplus.

Demolition of church is condemned as vandalism

By Hugh Clayton, Environmental Correspondent

A Victorian church in Rugby is to be demolished, even though the government has decided that it is of exceptional interest and should be preserved. The Victorian Society has called the demolition "an act of wanton vandalism", and considers how the Church of England's exemption from historic building law is open to abuse.

The Church Commissioners have accepted a contract to start demolishing Holy Trinity Church, Rugby, this month. Mrs Jennifer Freeman, the secretary of The Victorian Society, said: "A non-ecclesiastical building of this quality could never be demolished in these circumstances.".

the church is the work of Sir George Gilbert Scott, who restored many churches as well as designing others in Gothic style. His best known memorials are St Pancras Station and the Albert Memorial in London.

Holy Trinity was completed in 1854, and declared redundant in 1974. The Advisory Board for Redundant Churches decided in 1976 that the Coventry diocesan authorities had not tried hard enough to find an alternative use. The board decided two years later that the cost of restoration was not justified by the architectural merit of the church.

American water colour proves a money spinner

By Huon Mallalieu

A sale by Christie's in New York of American paintings, drawings and sculpture from the eighteenth to the twentieth centuries produced a total of $6,675,350 or £4,172,094 with only seven per cent failing to find buyers.

Top price at the sale, on Friday, was $550,000 (£343,750) against an estimate of about $350,000 for a water colour of a young colonial girl spinning, dated 1881, by Thomas Cowperthwait Eakins. It was a record price for the painter and was paid by an American private collector.

In English water colour terms this was perhaps the equivalent in quality of a middle range work by Walter Langley which could sell in a British sale for only about £2,000.

Two lots made $352,000 (£220,000), each a record for the painter. They were a quiet New England landscape "Blue Hill, Maine" by Fitz Hugh Lane (estimate $150,000 to $250,000), and a post-Impressionist shore scene of about 1914, "From under the willows" by William J. Glackens (estimate $200,000 to $300,000).

The first went to Hirschl & Adler, the New York dealers, and the second to a purchaser of the Eakins water colour.

Radio academy reprieved by BBC backing

By Kenneth Gosling

A plan to establish a radio academy with its own festival, awards, training and publications has been kept afloat, for the time being at least, by an offer of initial funding from the BBC.

But there has been little encouragement for the project at the senior levels of independent radio and its future may dependon a public meeting called for July 21 at the Institute of Contemporary Arts in London,

The matter will probably also be raised at the radio festival in Birmingham earlier next month.

The project came close to being abandoned a few weeks ago, but senior BBC management agreed to support it

Matters to be settled at the institute meeting incinde funding, membership, agreement on the aims of a working party report in February which recommended the academy, and the setting up of a 15-member interim council.

"It will be very much up to the meetng to decide whether or not this will be a goer", the party said.

The working party, which said the academy should aim to promote the quality and interests of radio, estimated the annual budget at £27,000. It would be met by individual and corporate subscriptions and contributions from the BBC and independent local radio.

School cleaners fight to halt private takeover

From Our Correspondent
Peterborough

School cleaners have threatened to close schools throughout Cambridgeshire in protest over plans to bring in outside contractors.

Cambridgeshire County Council, which employs 1,600 cleaners, wants private firms to take over cleaning duties at half of its 360 schools to save £750,000 a year. It has given trade unions 10 days to consider the proposal.

Mr Brian Shorten, county convener for the National Union of Public Employees, said yesterday: "At least 700 cleaners will lose their jobs under these proposals and this is just not acceptable. If the county council goes ahead, there will be protest strikes and the occupation of school buildings which will inevitably mean the disruption of lessons and school closures."

Wards of court found in Africa

Luke and Zoe Norman of Belper, Derbyshire, have been found safe in Nairobi, Kenya, almost a year after they vanished with their father Mr Anthony Norman, a former Sheffield college lecturer.

Correction

Mr Carlo Colombotti, chairman of the British Italian Law Association, points out that no member of the party of magistrates and lawyers from Venice who visited Marlborough Street Magistrates' Court on May 20 had their cars clamped by the police, as claimed in a news agency report published in *The Times* on May 21.

Overseas selling prices
Austria Sch 28; Bahrain BD 0.650; Belgium B frs 50; Canada $2.50; Canaries Pes 150; Cyprus 550 mils; Denmark Dkr 7.50; Dubai Dh 7.00; Finland Mkk 7.00; France Frs 7.00; Germany DM 3.50; Greece Dr 100; Holland Gl 3.25; Iran IR 135; Iraq ID 0.800; Irish Republic 40p; Italy L 2200; Jordan JD 0.425; Kuwait KD 0.600; Lebanon LL 4.00; Luxembourg Lf 35; Madeira Esc 120; Morocco Dir 7; Norway Kr 7.50; Oman OR 0.700; Pakistan Rps 12; Portugal Esc 125; Qatar QR 7.50; Saudi Arabia SR 4.50; Singapore S$ 4.00; [illegible] UAE Dh 7.50; Yugoslavia Din 100.

Scotland Yard to take lessons from US on investigating crime

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

American work study experts are to tr·n Scotland Yard detectives in the latest techniques for assessing and handling intelligence data, based on methods developed for the Pentagon and the counter-espionage community.

The techniques, widely used among federal and state law enforcement agencies in the US are being brought to Europe for the first time. They could revolutionize criminal investigation over the next decade.

A very small scheme using the techniques was started several years ago after officers visited police in New Jersey, but the decision to widen their use was taken last autumn by Sir Kenneth Newman, the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police. An outline was included in the "action plan" drawn up for the force and the Home Office gave its approval several months ago.

This autumn some 50 officers, drawn from the specialist detective squads and the new teams set up in the four London police areas to tackle street crime, will begin training under the tuition of staff from Anacapa Sciencies, a company based in Santa Barbara, California.

Scotland Yard will not disclose the cost of the contract, but Anacapa has a monopoly in the law-enforcement field. In the past 10 years, it has devised schemes for the Pentagon, the Drug Enforcement Agency, the Royal Canadian Mounted


Sir Kenneth Newman: American techniques.

Police and the Australian Federal Bureau of Narcotics.

The company said: "We are designing the curriculum which will discuss some of the methology for assessing sensitive marerial with an amalgam of different techniques. Basically police are superb at gathering information but not so superb at milking it. It is really to see what the meaning is behind what you have got in the filing cabinet."

Anacapa has taught drug enforcement agents ways of making sense of the information brought together in investigations which sometimes stretch round the world and involve several hundred suspects.

At Scotland Yard Anacapa will teach detectives "matrix assessment", "time line analysis" and "link analysis", all means of pulling information into discernible shapes.

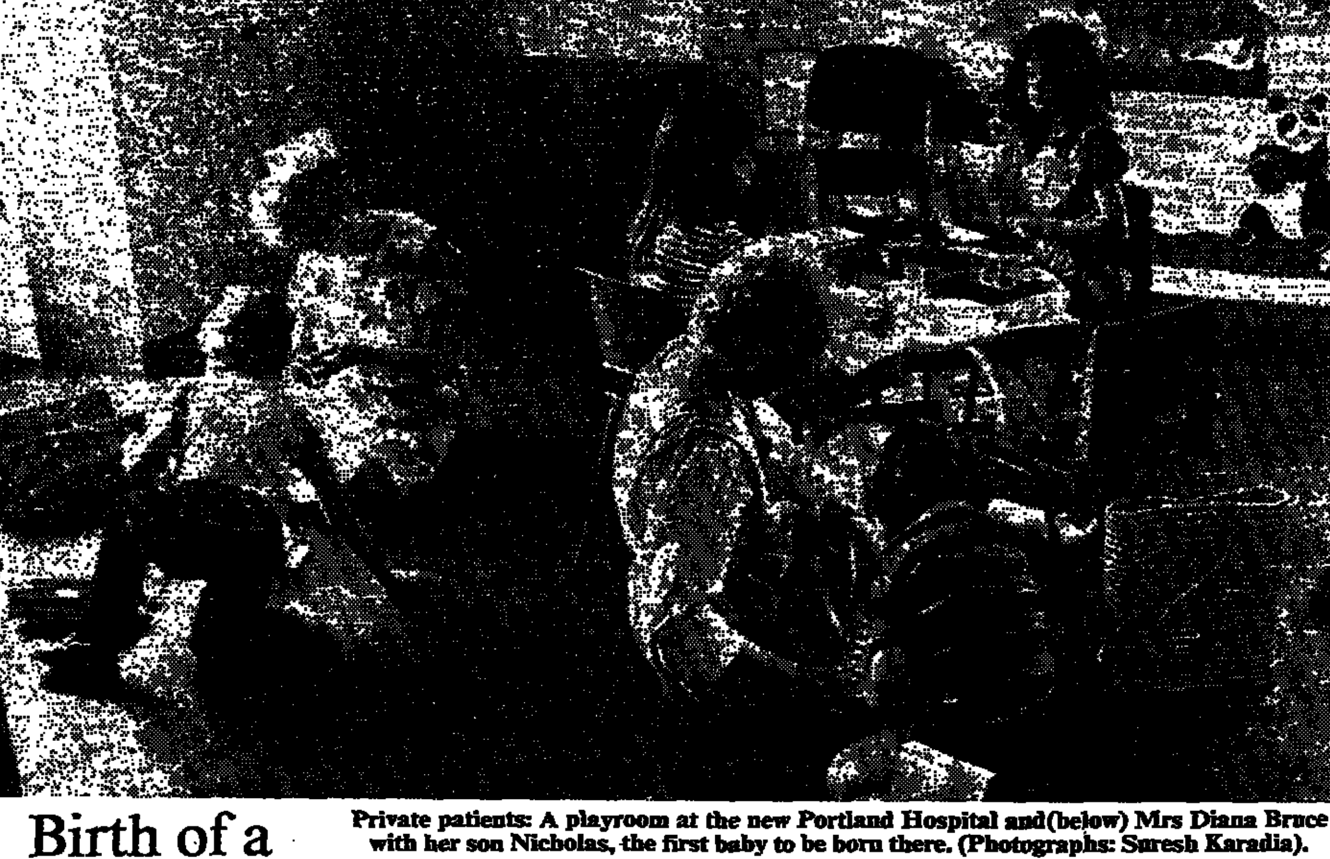
Sir Kenneth has already spoken of a desire to concentrate police efforts more coherently against crime by improving intelligence so that resources are channelled against targets.

Anacapa's work would help to achieve this by moving Scotland Yard away from the traditional approach of collecting information, filing it and then producing it after a crime. Instead, the information would be put together to build up a picture of suspected criminals with their associates before a crime was committed.

An investigation could then be centred more effectively rather than using considerable manpower to chase down dozens of leads thrown up by the traditional methods. The head of the investigation might be provided with a more reliable choice of suspects.

The new system might also make greater sense of targeting criminals for long-term observation because the mass of information thrown up could be analysed effectively so that patterns emerged.

One enthusiast at the Yard said that the result could be a move away from the police system of deductive logic to inductive logic. It might also change the use of "super grasses". They could be used more as a source of potential information rather than witnesses in court.



Private patients: A playroom at the new Portland Hospital and (below) Mrs Diana Bruce with her son Nicholas, the first baby to be born there. (Photographs: Suresh Karadia).



Birth of a new idea at hospital

By David Hewson

A new kind of private hospital which combines obstetrics with paediatrics has reported the birth if its first baby.

The mother, Mrs Diana Bruce, aged 36, from Wimbledon, ·· London, said yesterday that her first child had been born under the National Health Service, and the second in a private health service ward. Holding her third child, Nicholas, born three days ago, Mrs Bruce said: "This is definitely the way to have a baby. It is meant to be a pleasurable experience and it was."

Mrs Bruce's one complaint about the Portland Hospital in Great Portland Street, central London, was the food. "It is much too good. I had hoped it would be like the NHS so I could lose some weight.

Her husband, Mr Colin Bruce, Aged 34, who owns a business organizing race lotteries for charities, did not use on of the hospital's extra facilities, a laundry for fathers whose wives are staying there.

The Portland, purpose-built for £7.5m, was financed by City investors and backers from the Persian Gulf. It expects most of its patients to come from Britain. A basic single room will cost £160 a day, excluding paramedical services, drugs, dressings and other facilities.

But the hospital has introduced a fixed-price budget plan. This enables a mother with a problem-free pregnancy to stay for five nights for £930, excluding the consultant's charges. A caesarean section under the same plan costs £1,770.

Mr Ronald Staker, the chief executive, said the hospital would announce plans for an insurance scheme to cover medical costs by the end of the month. This would enable patients who face routine operations to insure against the extra medical costs which could follow from any complications.

Mr Staker said the hospital, which has 51 general beds, four in an intensive therapy unit, five in special care, and a further four in high dependency, will eventually employ about 180 people. By combining obstetrics with paediatric care, it would be able to educate children up to the age of 15, to appreciate that hospitals were designed to benefit them.

"Parents can stay in a bedroom with the child and help with their care. If you are a two-year-old and you are put in a strange environment in which strange people sometimes do nasty things to you, the reassurance of your parents being there is worth a king's ransom."

Cruise men bring housing shortage

By Baron Phillips
Property Correspondent

The accelerating cruise missile programme at Greenham Common, near Newbury, is sending property prices soaring and creating a serious local housing shortage.

American servicemen are having to rent or buy homes up to 24 miles away from the camp where the missiles will be based after Christmas. There are now 1,100 airforce personnel on the base, but that figure is expected to double over the next two years while the total American population, including dependants, in and around Newbury will rise to about 5,000.

Naturally, the United States Air Force is keen to play down the impact of the rapidly expanding base. But Lieutenant Bryan Irving, camp spokesman, admitted: "We recognize there is a housing problem in the area, but I feel we are only aggravating a problem which was already here".

The USAF has had to recalculate the number of private homes it will have to rent for its people over the next two years and the present estimate of 300 is based on the assumption that Congress will approve spending on at least 250 family houses on HMS Dauntless, a former Navy base, at near by Burghfield. Lieutenant Irving conceded that they do not know when, or even if, the money will be allocated.

There are now 600 families living outside military accommodation and, as further delays occur on the building programme, more families will have to find homes on the open market.

Ms Alison Salmon, a Shelter officer in Newbury, said there has been a growing homelessness problem in the area since the base began to expand. Mr Terry McColl, deputy director of housing at Newbury District Council, agreed that the housing waiting list was growing and there had been a rapid increase in the number of homeless people coming to the council.

In the past, the council has been able to rent private homes to accommodate people on their waiting lists. That source has now dried up because there is a huge demand for these houses at much higher prices than the council can afford.

There is also a shortage of building land for public or private homes. Newbury Council has asked the Government for a special £10m housing provision because it is concerned about dwindling stocks of council-owned homes.

St Paul's wedding for sporting stars

Miss Sharron Davies, the Olympic swimmer is to be married at St Paul's Cathedral next year.

Miss Davies, aged 20, would not normally be entitled to hold the ceremony there, but her fiance Neil Adams, the world judo champion, qualifies because he is an MBE.

She said yesterday: "We wanted to get married somewhere big – and you do not get much bigger than St Paul's."

"A big flowery wedding in a place the size of St Paul's is better than everyone cramming into a small church. We got the idea when someone told us that if you were an MBE you could get permission."

Their decision has however disappointed Miss Davies's mother. Mrs Sheila Davies said: "I would sooner see her go down the aisle in her parish church. But if she has made up her mind, St Paul's it will have to be."

Mrs Davies of Furzehatt Avenue, Plymstock, near Plymouth, added: "Sharron grew up in Plymstock and I always thought she would get married here. St Paul's is far too big."

Miss Davies, who has been engaged to Mr Adams, aged 24, for two years, said: "Of course we would have liked to have got married in Plymouth, which we both love, but you have to be practical."

The wedding is unlikely to be until next spring because St Paul's is fully booked.

A spokesman at the cathedral said: "Ever since Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer were married here we have been inundated with requests. The sparkle has not worn off. But only very few people can get permission."

Priest loses school contract job

Canon Peter Reilly, aged 48, has been dismissed after 19 years as executive secretary of the Roman Catholic diocesan schools commission in Birmingham.

The commission, which handles contracts worth millions of pounds, is responsible for building and maintaining Roman Cothelic schools in five Midlands counties.

Gallery daubed in art protest

A group c·ing themselves "Angry women" said yesterday that they had daubed the fromt of the Olympus Gallery in central London in protest against an exhibition which they say portrays "violence against women". Some of the exhibition's pictures, by Helmut Mewton, show naked women bound with chains and ropes.

The women sprayed paint on the gallery's door and windows and left behind stickers stating: "pornography is degrading to women".

Theft prompts butler warning

Bogus butlers may try to infiltrate the homes of British peers, millionaire Americans and oil shaikhs, Mr Ivor Spencer, the principal of the School for British Butlers, said yesterday.

He said 24 blank diploma forms used by his school had been stolen from his car recently in central London and he wanted prospective employers to contact him to verify diplomas that had been shown to them.

Pilot burnt in helicopter crash

A helicopter, which was crop spraying, crashed in flames in a field near Towcester, Northamptonshire, yesterday.

The helicopter was destroyed and the pilot Mr Sean Anderson-Brown, aged 20, of Tysoe, Warwickshire, was severely burnt and was said to be in a satisfactory condition in hospital last night.

Railway death

A man who was killed by the Paddington to Chester train at Slough, Berkshire, was named yesterday as Mr Michael McCann, aged 60, of Derwent Drive, Burnham, Buckinghamshire. Crime is not suspected.

Complaints over tawse set record

By Frances Gibb

A mother in Walsall, West Midlands, has made a record number of five complaints to the European Commission in Strasbourg over beatings administered to her children.

The complaints, disclosed today by the Society of Teachers Opposed to Physical Punishment (Stopp), brings to 32 the number of complaints concerning corporal punishment submitted to the commission.

Last year, the European Court of Human Rights held that such beatings against parents' wishes contravened the European Convention on Human Rights but they continue at a "lavish rate", according to Stopp.

The five complaints have been lodged by Mrs Susan Liddington over her children Joy, aged 16, Ian, aged 15 and Alan, aged 14, at Shelfield Community School in Walsall.

Joy, who has now left school, was given two lashes of the tawse on the hands for spitting at a pupil who had knocked her over. She agreed to the beating rather than be suspended just before her mock O-level examinations.

Alan was given two lashes on his buttocks for allegedly demanding money from another pupil, a charge he denies. Each child has also been suspended on separate occasions for four days for refusing the tawse.

Mrs Liddington said: "The school knows my wishes but just carries on regardless".

Police seek public help in 'Beast of Exmoor' hunt

By Craig Seton

Police and Royal Marine marksmen are intensifying their efforts to identify and kill the so-called "Beast of Exmoor", which is believed to be a large, wild dog it has roamed isolated farms in north Devon for three months and killed nearly 90 sheep.

Today, local police will seek public assistance to establish a positive description of the animal and report sightings so that the search party of 12 Royal Marines can move in quickly for the kill.

The National Farmers' Union has installed a telephone "hot line" at a farm near South Molton where the marines are based.

Two dogs, a bull mastiff and a lurcher, will be shown locally by police today to give the public some idea of the type of dog they believe they are hunting.

The marines, from the Commando Training Centre at Lympstone, near Exeter, have been in the South Molton area for nearly a month, hiding out on hilltops at night in an effort to catch sight of the animal using advanced night-sight equipment.

They believe they have seen it several times, but each time they have considered it unsafe to attempt to shoot. One officer described the animal as a "large, totally wild, dark brown cross-bred dog".

The animal, once thought to have been a puma, has killed only two lambs in the last week, and police believe it may now be feeding on rabbits or deer. Several lambs and sheep have been killed on Mr Eric Ley's farm at Drewstone. He said he and his wife and the Marines had heard it screaming at night.

The police do not want the public to go searching for the animal on farmland.

Book tribute to Sefton

Sefton, the horse which survived last year's Hyde Park bombing, is the hero of a book being published next month.

Two bombs, in Hyde Park and Regent's Park on July 20 killed 10 soldiers and injured more than 50 people. Seven horses were killed

Gifts for the horse poured in, and as he recovered, he became a fund-raiser for the Army Benevolent Fund. Advance royalties from the book will go to the fund.

Mr Dorian Williams, the showjumping commentator, Mr Alastair Burnet, the television newsreader, and Mr Terence Cuneo, the artist who painted the horse, are among those who contribute to *Sefton, The Horse For Any Year*, published by Quiller Press.

Prison laxity on suicide alleged

Prisoners attempting suicide have been pu·shed by having their self-inflicted wounds stitched without anaesthetic, a watchdog group alleged today.

Inquest, a pressure group which represents prisoners in Britain's jails, said its information came from reliable sources, including a prison doctor.

The Home Office has denied the claims, saying anaesthetic is administered in the normal way.

The allegations are made in evidence submitted by Inquest, which is funded partly by Greater London Council to Sir James Hennessey, the Chief Inspector for Prisons, who has been instructed by Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary to investigate safeguards against suicide in prisons.

Mr Tony Ward, of Inquest, said surgical stitching without anaesthetic was a "blatantly punitive, not to say sadistic practice."

It made a mockery of standard instructions to prison staff that an inmate who attempted suicide should not be disciplined for his actions.

Mr Ward claimed that officers at one jail used cardboard to silence bells which prisoners in distress could ring from their cells.

The investigation comes after increasing public concern at the number of suicides in custody.

Mr Ward said the rate was about six times that of the general population.

"There can be little doubt that imprisonment in itself is a major cause of prison suicides. There is nothing novel in the suggestion that a more humane sentencing policy might be the most effective precaution."

Bullying in prisons could also lead to suicide, he said. "There is a need for greater vigilance, especially perhaps where young prisoners are concerned, to detect any form of bullying or scapegoat."

Councillor Ward said we have heard of two prisoners burning themselves to death in recent years.

The Home Office said: "If Inquest substantiates their allegations with the evidence it will be investigated, but I doubt if there is a doctor in the country who would follow such a practice".

Dr Alexander Macara, chairman of the British Medical Association's ethics committee, said it was sometimes better to stitch without anaesthetic, which can sometimes add to the trauma." But it would be very foolish to do so as a punishment, and he found it "difficult to believe that any doctor would do this".

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The old swing to the right despite Labour promises on pensions

By David Hewson

If election campaigns in Britain ever become sufficiently presidential to include the American fashion for bumper stickers, an obvious slogan for those of a right-wing bent will be: "Tories live longer".

Pollsters exist in a state of permanent disharmony with the chicken and the egg. The demographic facts state that people over the age of 55 are more likely to vote Conservative than the population overall, and that women pensioners outnumber their male counterparts three to two.

Students of logic may care to deduce from this that women possess not just greater longevity than men but a biological preference for right-wing causes. Or they could argue that voting for a party other than the Conservatives is just bad for your health.

For the psephologists, who are thankfully spared the whys and wherefores of such details, the plain message from the polls is that those over the age of 55 are more likely to support the Tories, particularly if they are women.

There was a point around April of this year when the over-55s seemed to be moving along the same lines as the rest of the population, but they have now rapidy swung to the right.

The age group represents a third of the electorate and 90 per cent are pensioners. If one examines the manifestos of both Conservative and Labour, it is clear that state pensioners would stand to gain more by the election of a Labour government. The Tories have severed the link between pensions and prices and earnings.

Labour is committed to restoring the link with earnings, phasing out the televisions licence for pensioners, and introducing new increases to compensate for the amount lost by the Tory revision of the pension rules. These might not be attractive to those on private pensions which are index-linked, who would be better off voting for the party which best controls inflation. But they are a minority which cannot account for the swing in this age group from Labour to the Tories since the last election, which at 5 per cent, is twice that of the population overall.

Further perversity is found in the attitudes towards the political leaders. Mrs Thatcher scores high in both positive and negative aspects. According to MORI, the over-55s praise her as a capable leader who is good in a crisis but most think she talks down to people and 47 per cent of the poll sample believed she was out of touch with ordinary members of the public.

Mr Foot rates a low showing in both advantages and disadvantages, though he is reasonably favoured for his understanding of world and domestic problems. But the most spectacular response is to Mr Steel, who commands high ratings in most of the positive areas, and avoids the bad marks.

Yet this fails to show through in the Alliance's standing; only the 15-24 group think less of them than do the over-55s.

Although the over-55s may have made a marked shift further towards the Conservatives in the lifetime of the present Government, overall they remain the least volatile of the electoral age groups, and doggedly aloof from the issues which one might expect to engage their attention. They are no more or less interested in the health service than the rest of the electorate, although they are its greatest users.

One of the few areas in which their views are distinct is in the media coverage of the election; they feel very strongly the there has been too much election news on television and in the press.



The gurus' election: Mrs Le Hunte (left) talking to a voter in Ladywood.

Asian Tory woos ethnic vote

By Nicholas Timmins

Reporters trying to assess the election in Birmingham, Ladywood, have taken to consulting local gurus in an attempt to predict the result.

It seems almost as good a way as any in a constituency that, with 42 per cent of its population from the ethnic minorities, is the third blackest in Britain after Southall and Brent South, and where the Conservative candidate takes the unlikely shape of Mrs Pramila Le Hunte.

Indian-born, Cambridge educated, married to an Englishman, with a fluent line in Punjabi, Urdu and Hindi and a first-hand knowledge of Asian culture, she looks at first sight the ideal candidate to hold the existing Tory vote and shift the Asian one from Labour, to provide the Conservatives with the remarkable coup of the first Asian or black MP for over 50 years.

But it is proving an uphill struggle. Ladywood is one of the most redrawn constituencies, its electorate almost doubled to over 60,000, but with the changes still leaving Labour with a notional 6,400 majority.

To the north lies Sandwell, the Tory base, a mixture of comfortable suburbia and better-off Asians where Labour still managed to notch a gain in recent local elections.

In the middle is Soho, where 71 per cent of the population is black or Asian, and the level of unemployment is frightening. The Asians predominate by about three to one, with the Asian garment trade providing much of the employment and Sikh temples rubbing shoulders with Moslem mosques. It is Labour heartland, occupied by Miss Clare Short, the left-wing Labour candidate.

To the south is the city centre and Ladywood itself, tower blocks with a high proportion of elderly, where Asians and Afro-Caribbeans live amongst the Brummie working class and where the Liberal Alliance candidate, Mr Kenneth Hardeman, a recent leader of Birmingham Liberals, turned a Labour stronghold into a Liberal base, only to lose the seat to Labour in the May local elections.

Mrs Le Hunte bestrides the two cultures. Head of English at North London Cllegiate School in Harrow, she is articulate, personable and caring. Canvassing in Tory Sandwell she dresses naturally in an English style, switching as comfortably to saris or a moslem headscarf in Asian ones. The "all things to all men" approach, however, seems to leave some voters uneasy, and it is doubtful if either community is really ready for her.

Mr Hardeman, the Liberal, stressing his local connexions, boldly declares he will produce "the upset of all time", through a mixture of disaffected Tories, and Labour voters scared of Clare Short's left-wing record, which he emphasizes.

The greates confidence, however, exudes from the Labour camp.

With the Alliance rising in the polls, Mrs Le Hnte's candidature posing question about the loyalty of white Conservatives and Asian Labour voters, and Mr Baba Bakhtaura, a Sikh under threat of deportation, standing as an independent candidate who may cost Labour a few hunded votes, it would take a guru to be sure of the outcome. But Labour will be shocked if they lose.

● In Saturday's article on ethnic minorities and the election, the percentage of those on the register should have ranged beteween 70 per cent and 88 per cent for ethnic minorities, against over 90 per cent for whites.

The world tunes in for BBC results

By Kenneth Gosling

The world is taking a keen interest in our elections – especially the countries of Latin-America.

Normal programmes from Bush House, headquarters of the BBC external services, on Thursday night have been cancelled so that the latest results can be transmitted.

Four countries, Peru, Uruguay, Colombia and Mexico, have asked for special reports and dozens of radio stations will be picking up and broadcasting BBC reports.

The number of listeners is difficult to estimate – the BBC occasionally carries out surveys in individual countries but, these are expensive. It estimates the external services have about 100 million regular listerners.

A survey in seven urban areas of Argentina, including Buenos Aires where about half the population lives, showed that among nearly 10 million adults, 190,000 were regular listeners.

But assuming a less regular listening pattern, this could reach 700,000.

Mr Alberto Palaus, head of the BBC's Latin-America service, told me: "What became abundantly clear last year, at the time of the Falklands conflict, is that we have a very sizeable audience indeed in Latin America which can be estimated in millions. This absolutely exploded with the Falklands and many more stations have now got into the habit of rebroadcasting our programmes".

Mr Palaus said the interest was so much greater this year because Mrs Thatcher was a leading fugure in Latin America – "I am not saying she is loved but there is a new dimension because the main figure involved has stepped into the realms of mythology".

The Latin-American service has eight nationalities on its staff and four Colombians, Chileans, Mexicans and Argentines, will take part in the election night programmes, along with commentators and analysts.

A number of services will have extra time allotted, the Foreign Office permitting. These services include Bengali and Tamil and Portuguese to Brazil.

West Germany, too, has taken a special interest in the election. The BBC's German service will broadcast for an extra six hours on election night and for two hours extra on Friday.

In response to a request from radio in the American sectot of Berlin (RIAS), the BBC's programme will be relayed live early Friday morning.

Mr Hermann Schroeder, head of the service, said: "For the first time, and this has been written about in our press, there is a third force to be reckoned with in British politics and for three weeks we have been looking at the issues, including the ethnic factor and the north-south division in Britain.

"We believe we have a regular audience in the Federal Republic – that is watching at least once a week – of 1.3 million. We will be putting out the state of the parties every half-hour through the night. I cannot imagine a British audience staying up to hear the German election results".

The English-language World Service will be broadcasting from a new special events studio at Bush House, used last weekend for the first time to relay *Saturday Special*, the sports programme.

Many of the BBC's services have arranged for correspondents to report reactions to the results especially from Latin America and Argentina.

Fire raid on HQ of SDLP

From Richard Ford
Belfast

An arson attack at the headquarters of the Social Democratic and Labour Party in Londonderry has destroyed election posters and convassing material for their candidate, Mr John Hume. The fire is believed to have been started with a lighted object thrown through a back window of the building early on Saturday morning.

Three thousand campaign leaflets and posters were burned, but Mr Hume, the party leader, who is standing in Foyle, said before canvassing in Creggan estate: "Something like this will only make our workers more determined." The "act of sabotage" was the sort of thing that had to be confronted in Northern Ireland.

The fire had been deliberately aimed at disrupting the SDLP's campaign and he alleged that the party had been subjected to harassment during the last few weeks and posters had been removed from many parts of the city.

Police said the attack was undoubteldy malicious, and it was condemned by the Alliance and Workers' Party candidates. Mr Hume is favourite to win the seat in which he is confident of beating a challenge for the nationalist vote from Mr Martin McGuinness of Provisional Sinn Fein.

Meanwhile, the SDLP's deputy leader, Mr Seamus Mallon, who is standing in Newry and Armagh, appealed to Northern Ireland voters to rescue the name of republicanism from whose who had disgraced it. "The Owen Carrons of this world, who have threatened to destabilize the Republic of Ireland, have hijacked the aim of Irish unity which is deeply held by the vast majority of people on this island."

Mr Mallon added that the British Government would have to be pushed hard to make fundamental decisions to ensure a lasting peace.

'Smiley's people' close ranks against Labour plans for secret services

By Peter Hennessy

In the last of his Smiley volumes published, John le Carré anticipated by four years Labour's plans for the secret services. For the first time in their 70-year history, Britain' security and intelligence agencies have become an election issue, with a manifesto pledge of a security Act to regulate them and a Paliamentary select committee to monitor them.

In *Smiley's People*, published in 1979, Labour is in power and has already imposed its plan on the clandistine institutions. Sir Oliver Lacon, the Cabinet Office co-ordinator, bewails the result to the old spy-master, George Smiley:

"You should hear them, George, our new masters! You should hear the way they talk about the Circus! .... Gibes. Suspicion .... As if the Circus were some rogue amimal outside their comprehesion. As if British intelligence were a sort of wholly-owned subsidiary of the Conservative Party .... You'd be shocked, George. Pained."

The real-life Lacons are pained by Labour's real-life manifesto and the party's discussion document, *Freedom and the Security Services*, on which it is based: "So awful and unbelievable that it is very depressing – my real complaint is that it is a non-serious document about a very serious subject" was how one insider put it.

What is in the analysis produced by the Labour National Executive's security services study group, chaired by Miss Jo Richardson, then MP for Barking, that arouses such strong feeling? In large part, it is the belief that "large sections" of the British secret agencies contain people of a "fundamentally anti-socialist outlook" who might do to a democratically-elected left-wing government in Britain what the CIA did to President Allende in Chile in 1973.

To pre-empt that, Labour proposes an end to unauthorized surveillance, the introduction of data protection and feedom of informtion, abolition of the D-notice system of voluntary self-censorship by the press, tight ministerial control and operational guidelines for the secret services, regular accounting to Parliament through an annual report and appearances before a select committee, and a narrower definition of "subversion".

Whitehall believes that the Labour analysis ignores existing, albeit unannounced, controls on the budgets and operations of the secret agencies exercised by the Cabinet office on behalf of the Prime Minister,

If Labour takes office on Friday, Whitehall does not expect reform of MI5 and MI6 to be a priority. The first tactic of officials will be to brief ministers on what insiders call "reality" as opposed to "gossip" in the party's document.

Labour's contention that the secret world is a citadel of thw British establishment provoked one real-life Lacon to remark: "There are several establishments. The trade unions and the Labour Party are one; the people who produced that document have talked only to them."

Freedom and the Security Services. The Labour Party, 150 Walworth Road, London SE17 1JT. £1.50.

Doubtful future for welfare state's gem

By Pearce Wright

THE ISSUES
THE HEALTH SERVICE

The National Health Service has been described as the greatest piece of social engineering in our time and the jewel in the crown of the welfare state.

Yet its futre is one of the cardinal issues of the election campaign on which the political parties are making different promises. One weekly publication has opined that each of the parties has a policy for NHS, but none of the parties has a policy for health.

The individual topics are easy enough to distinguish at the hustings. They concern prescription charges, private medical practice, pensions and personal social services.

The last embrace residential and day care for the elderly and handicapped, childcare, home helps, meals on wheels and so on.

The tone of the argument was set in an exchange between Mr Michael Foot and Mrs Thatcher had "left behind in the pigeonholes that old think tank report which proposed attacks on the social services and disruption of the National Health Service".

He wanted to know why she broke a promise at the last election not to raise prescription charges and then increased them to £1.40.

Mrs Thatcher retorted that spending on the NHS was at a record level. She said no responsible government could ever promise not to increase prescription charges. The important thing was exemptions remained.

While the Conservatives insist that they have made unprecedented increases in real terms on funding for health, Labour and the Alliance pour scorn on the statistical methods.

Nevertheless, the Conservatives are stating in their election literature that they have increased spending over the past four years by £7,750m.

However, the choice of June foreclosed on several schemes which had not been translated into action. A proposal to inject substantial sums into inner-city general practice fell by the wayside. A decision had not been taken on recommendations for cheaper prescribing with generic drugs made by Dr Peter Greenfield, one of the Department of Health's principal medical officers.

Another forestalled scheme would have put a cash limit on family practitioner service budgets, which are presently allowed to be determined by demand. And an ambitious project to increase the use of computers in general practice record-keeping and information exchange may become an election victim.

Whatever the merits of arguments over the size of increased spending on the NHS, the service did grow under the Conservatives. However, the prospects for any of the deferred schemes which would cost money does not look rosy, judging the future form this year's public expenditure White Paper.

Six per cent extra cash for the current year has been provided. The main item of spending, pay, has been settled at 4.5 per cent for ancillaries, 5.6 per cent for nurses and 8.7 per cent for doctors and dentists.

Although the cash limit for this year still looks tight, the future looks more difficult.

Plans for 1984-85 were to allow the hospital and community services 5 per cent more money and health authorities were to be asked to contribute 0.5 per cent through efficiency savings. Only 4 per cent was allowed for the following year.

Tomorrow: Taxation

The facts

Facts from parliamentary answers and reports in the last term at Westminster.

Public expenditure 1982-83:

Health and personal social services, £13,633m. Social security, £32,030m.

NHS prescriptions:

Between January and September, 1982 more than 231 million prescriptions were issued at a cost of more than £1,200m.

Health centres:

Number in England in 1977 – 762. Number in England in 1982 – 1,050.

Pay beds:

Number in 1979 – 2,555. Number in 1982 – 2,929.

Doctors' pay:

The intended average net remuneration of general practitioners in the NHS for 1981-83 was set at £18,900.

The estimated average salary for junior doctors is £11,850, covering a 40-hour week and payments for on call and out of hours work.

Numbers of doctors:

1978 – 54,166. 1982 – 59,244.

Unemployed doctors:

1980 – 493. 1983 – 2,000.

Private hospitals:

600 new private beds were opened in 1982.

Waiting lists:

September, 1982 – 625,000.

The manifestos

LABOUR promises greater emphasis on preventive medicine, priority on primary health care services in inner cities, improvements in antenatal and maternity services and a public stake in the pharmaceutical industry.

THE ALLIANCE promises a reallocation between areas to take account of demographic changes. A special fund of £500m a year will be created to pay for new schemes and ideas submitted by area health authorities, local authorities and voluntary organizations to help the poorest areas and the needy. Generic prescribing will be encouraged to reduce the drugs bill.

THE CONSERVATIVES are pledged to encourage privatization of ancillary services to save money, The money saved would be used for patient care. Unlike the other main parties, the Conservatives are not guaranteeing to spend extra cash on the NHS.

CONSTITUENCY PROFILE | Keighley

Boundaries put Cryer in corner

CANDIDATES
R. Cryer (Lab)
G. P. A. Waller (C)
M. Penney (Eco)
J. Wells (L/All)

Keighley is known for more than its literary links with the Brontes and the steam trains that starred in the film of E. Nesbit's classic story, *The Railway Children*. It was the constituency that bucked the trend in 1979 and returned a hard left MP with a wafer-thin majority of 78 votes.

This time round, the Boundary Commissioners have stepped in to rewrite the socialist fairytale. Their extension of the wool and engineering town voting area to take in Addingham and the Conservative spa of Ilkley makes it likely that Labour's Mr Bob Cryer will be looking for another job on June 10.

He is the candidate travelling the constituency in a vintage Armstrong-Siddeley Sapphire (the Austin Princess having been damaged in a crash) pulling substantial crowds to hear him preach the gospel of increased public spending on jobs and unilateral disarmament.

Mr Cryer has already achieved the impossible by winning Keighley three times in a row, and he is modestly confident of improving his record. "I don't think there is a possibility of losing," he insists. "We are in a very good position and our experience is totally divorced from the national opinion polls."

Profile of Keighley		
1981	% Own Occ	74.8
1981	% Loc Auth	16.2
1981	% Black/Asian	3
1981	% Mid cl	46.1
1981	% Prof man	17.3
1982	electorate	63,911
1979	BBC/ITN notional result:	C maj 2,400

Key: % Owner Occ: proportion owning their own homes; % Loc auth: proportion of council tenants; % Black/Asian: proportion from New Commonwealth or Pakistan; % Mid cl: proportion of non-manual workers; % Prof man: Professions, higher managers, and independent farmers; BBC/ITN notional result: Calculation of what result would have been in 1979 in new boundary constituencies by joint BBC/ITN study team.

1979 General election: Cryer, C R (Lab), 19,698; Dawson, J (C), 19,620; Holmstedt, Miss M (L), 4,062; Fairey, R L (Nat Front), 234; Wadw, Mrs J (Ecology), 208. Lab maj 78.

Tomorrow: Lewisham E and Rochdale

His party's canvass returns from the wards put him clearly in the lead in a four-cornered fight, but the bookmakers are offering 4-1 in favour of Mr Gary Waller, aged 37, a Tory from the disbanded seat of Brighouse and Spenborough where he was MP until the disoluton of Parliament.

Keenly aware tht the folk of Airedale do not take readily to an "of cumm'd 'un" (an outsider), he stresses his Bradford origins and passionate interest in wool. But as a new man in this unusial conglomerate constituency of textiles, engineering, hill farming and Leeds commuters he is, probably wisely, relying on the national strength of his party.

To win the seat, he needs a swing of only 0.1 per cent, whereas the admittely popular Mr Cryer needs a swing in his favour o 2-3 per cent simply to hold on. But both are looking over their shoulder at the Alliance candidate, an energetic Liberal county councillor who detects tactical defections from both camps to the political centre.

"The voters have got the message that Cryer cannot win, and we are receiving tactical support, particularly as they know the Labour party is collapsing nationally. Substantial numbers are coming over to our side," he says. "If the Alliance bandwagon rolls as it is doing now, I have no doubt that we can win."

His estimate of his success is based on the theory that the local tradition of radical, independent Methodism was for long hijacked by the Labour party and is only now returning to its proper roots. It is a plausible analysis from the educational psychologist who took a Bradford Metropolitan Council seat for the Liberals when, by most superficial criteria, it should have gone Tory.

There is no National Front candidate this time, and the Ecology Party candidate, Mr Michael Penney, a rural postman, believes the ultra-right supporters have "gone undrground". Ecology voters polled three times the Labour majority in 1979, ans he thinks there will "not be 100 votes in it either way on June 9".

Despite a virtual quadrupling of unemployment to 14 per cent since Mrs Thatcher took office, this is not a view shared by the Conservative camp. Mr Waller wants to make Keighley, once unkindly described as "Harrowgate for beginners", a safe Tory seat. There will probably never be a better opportunity, but he recognises that Labour's man is a formidable opponent with a strong personal following. If he wins against the odds, there will be demands for Mr Cryer to turn water into Taylor's bitter, the local tipple.

Paul Routledge



Mr Cryer: Modestly confident of a fourth victory

CONSTITUENCY PROFILE | Cunninghame N

Marginal mixture in Ayrshire

CANDIDATES
J. Corrie (C)
J. N. Carson (Lab)
C. Cameron (SNP)
R. Leishman (SDP/All)

Cunninghame North is one of those grey anonymous names so beloved by the Boundary Commissioners. It gives no clue to the identity of a schizophrenic constituency which combines the rich commuter villages and farming land of the north Ayrshire coast, the islands of Cumbrie and Arran, and one of Scotland's most depressed industrial wastelands, the Garnock Valley.

Half of the new constituency comes from the old safe Conservative seat of North Ayrshire and Bute and the other half from the equally safe Labour seat of Ayrshire Central. In consequence it is now one of the most marginal constituencies in Britain, with a notional result at the last election, if fought on the new boundaries, of a Labour majority of just 300.

Mr John Corrie, the Conservative candidate who has represented the old North Ayrshire seat since 1974, believes that a more likely outcome this time will be a majority for him of about 4,000. Although he has lost Bute, traditionally a strong Conservative area, he is pleased with the strength of Conservative support in the Garnock Valley

Profile of Cunninghame N		
1981	% Own Occ	42
1981	% Loc Auth	49
1981	% Mid cl	40
1981	% Prof man	15
1978	electorate	52,400
1979	BBC/ITN notional result: Labour	maj 300

which has had £22m of development aid since the closure of its steel works four years ago.

Mr Corrie, a Galloway farmer, is proud of the industrial development which has come to Ayrshire partly through the EEC regional fund. Hunterston, just down the coast from the pleasant Clyde resort of Largs, has two nuclear power stations; and a deep water port serving the Ravenscraig steel works.

As with the other candidates, Mr Corrie would like to see the port further developed with the building of a modern integrated steel plant in the next 10 years or so.

He regards Labour's anti-EEC policy as a crucial issue in the election.

Mr John Carson, aged 37, a fitter at the ICI chemical works at Stevenston, is fighting hard on the issue of unemployment which is at 35 per cent in parts of the constituency.

Mr Carson, is also warning the 5,000 islanders in the constituency that a Conservative victory could lead to the privatization of their ferry services to the mainland with a consequent increase in fares.

Local government representation suggests Labour must be favourites to win the election. Last year, they won two of Cunninghame North's three seats on Strathclyde Regional Council and they have 21 of the 30 seats on the district council.

The SNP candidate, Mr Colin Cameron, is a rather dour solicitor aged 49, who has the distinction of having served as an MP and minister in Malawi, both before and after independence.

He considers that this gives him unique experience of how to free a country from British rule, which is what he clearly would like to do for Scotland.

Fighting for the Alliance is Ralph Leishman, aged 26, a chartered accountant who pins his hopes on the large number of undecided voters. He will be campaigning on local issues

The prosperous Galsgow businessmen who moor their yachts along the Clyde coast may yet give this seat to the Conservatives. But the strongest plea of the voters in Cunninghame North is the one made on countless doorsteps in the more run-down parts on the constituency: "I'll vote for anyone who will give my man a job".

Ian Bradley

Geoffrey Smith

COMMENT

How the Conservatives respond to Mr Peter Shore's latest onslaught on public expenditure is unlikely to have much, if any, bearing on the outcome of the election. But it may well influence the terms on which a second Thatcher administration is able to govern.

Mr Shore yesterday disclosed the texts of three official papers that were presented to the Cabinet last September.

One was a report by an interdepartmental group of officials on public expenditure trends for the rest of this decade; another was a note by the Treasury on the implications of its report for taxation; and the third was an accompanying comment from the Chancellor himself, warning his colleagues of the radical decisions that might have to be taken on public spending.

Not only the existence, but also the substance of these papers was already well known. So Mr Shore has hurled a surprise bombshell into the closing days of the campaign. In purely electioneering terms, it ought to be possible for the Conservatives simply to shrug off this attack – especially given the ascendancy that they have already established.

'We have laid out our plans'

"We have laid out our plans for the next three years on government spending", Mrs Margaret Thatcher told Mr Brian Walden on *Weekend World* yesterday. "They are there for everyone to see, for everyone to discuss".

She has been able to take refuge in that kind of comment at her news conferences so far, as she was able to take refuge in it yesterday. She may well continue to get away with it over the next few days. But she ought not to be allowed to do so, and it may well be in her own interest not to do so.

She ought not to get away with a reference to the next three years alone, because that does not meet the charge. Sir Geoffrey Howe warned his Cabinet colleagues last September that "we need to take a new and fundamental look at levels of public spending". He was clearly looking ahead to the second half of the 1980s in case the more optimistic assumptions of economic growth did not materialize.

In other words, the Chancellor was suggesting that the Cabinet should consider possibly unpleasant policy decisions which might have to be taken in the near future if public spending was to be kept under reasonable control in the later 1980s.

Country should be told of change

It may be that Sir Geoffrey no longer believes that such decisions will be necessary because he now takes a more favourable view of the prospects for growth. In which case there is no reason why the country should not be told.

But what if the Chancellor's gloomy assessment of last September remains the Government's thinking? This would mean that probably within one year, and certainly within two, the Cabinet would be asked to consider policy changes of which there had been no whisper during the election campaign.

Mrs Thatcher would be able to claim with absolute truth that she had told no falsehood: the policy changes that would then be under discussion need not affect the spending plans for the next three years that have already been published. She would have 'a complete defence if new and unforeseen circumstances had arisen.

Feeling of being misled

But there would be a feeling that the country had been misled if it had not been told of pending cuts that ministers already knew, on the basis of present trends, would have to be decided fairly early in the life of the new government – even if these would take effect only after these next three years.

In such circumstances, one of two things would happen. Mrs Thatcher might press on regardless, thereby undermining her authority and credibility. Or the Government might hesitate to take unpopular steps which it believed to be necessary.

It would be in the national interest, and ultimately in the best interest of the Conservatives, for them to conduct themselves in this campaign so as to give the next government the authority to take the measures they judge to be required.

Low turnout for Foot as jobs march reaches a damp end

By John Young

The rain returned to London yesterday as between 15-20,000 people converged on Hyde Park for a rally to mark the climax of the People's March for Jobs.

The unofficial target of the organizers had originally been 250,000, and although the election was expected to mean many political activists would be too busy to attend, the turnout will still be seen as a blow to the labour movement.

Despite a large number of speakers, including Mr Michael Foot, it was a surprisingly low-key, unemotional occasion. The marchers filed in, carrying banners and wearing bright yellow tee-shirts, but most seemed more weary and dispirited than fired with zeal for change.

Speaking from the top of an open bus, Mr Michael Foot claimed that by the end of the year another 300,000 people would be added to the already record total of unemployed.

Referring to the election, he urged his audience not to be misled by opinion polls. "Pretty well the only place where there has not been increased unemployment during the Thatcher era is among people drawing up opinion polls" he said.

But the marchers' representative on the platform, Miss Christina Pavli, of Haringey, London, seemed to distance herself from the political tone adopted by other speakers when she said the march was not supposed to be in support of the Labour Party. It was to protest against unemployment, and many of those taking part were not involved in politics.

Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the Trades Union Congress, said the message of the marchers was that people were no longer prepared to bare their backs to the scourge of unemployment. The rally was to protest on behalf of the nation, which had been cheated of the work of the four million unemployed and the wealth they might have contributed to the country.

Labour told to focus on unemployment

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

Labour leaders desperate to stem the haemhorrage of voting support told their candidates yesterday to play up the risk to jobs if the Conservatives win a second term of office. The spectre of two million more people unemployed is being raised.

In its daily campaign briefing for candidates, the Labour Party said: "From now until polling day, our campaign must focus on the issues that matter, and on the policies that will attract the voters. Nothing else."

Chief among these is unemployment, and the party insists: "We must deal a hammer blow to the Tory message of fatalism and despair, that there is no alternative to mass unemployment and social decay."

The internal briefing paper tells Labour candidates to argue that government policies have helped to destroy 2.4 million jobs, and if the Conservatives get back they will follow the s policies. "Nearly two million more jobs would be at risk", the document says.

The party claims that 370,000 jobs are threatened in the public services and that spending cuts and "privatization" will axe up to 100,000 school meals jobs, 60,000 hospital ancillary workers, 50,000 teaching jobs and thousands more in education, local government and the civil service.

The briefing paper says that 380,000 jobs are vulnerable in public industries. Planned pit closures would cut 50,000 jobs in the coal industry, another 20,000 would go through the further run-down of state steel and 30,000 more from the "overmanned" railways.

There would be a cut of 18,000 jobs from the armed forces and dockyards; 40,000 jobs "would be exported to the USA" with the purchase of Trident submarines; and a further 120,000 jobs would be slashed in gas, electricity, public transport and the postal service.

It also claims that 790,000 jobs are at risk in the manufacturing industry. "Nearly a quarter of Britain's large industrial companies are in serious financial distress and less than half are expected to survive.

"Foty large firms are being kept afloat in a lifeboat launched by the Bank of England, and over 1,000 companies have been taken into 'intensive care' by the banks. Together, these firms employ some 1,250,000 people. If the Tories are reelected, many will close. High risk sectors are vehicles, motor components, textiles and clothing."

Labour says that 200,000 jobs are under threat in private services such as retailing, where small shops are being squeezed out. Another 100,000 jobs could go in construction as public investment is cut.

The party urges candidates to make the point: "That adds up to nearly two million jobs at risk if the Tories get back." Labour's briefing paper admits that "some new jobs will be created in growth sectors" but insists that these will not exceed 240,000 "on even the most optimistic projections".

Labour's new slogan is therefore: "Sack the Tories before they sack you".

Ministers back on the village green

By Rodney Cowton

There are few things that better bring home the reality of democracy than to see high-powered Cabinet ministers out campaigning in their own constituencies.

In the depths of the Cambridgeshire countryside, Francis Pym, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, in his shirt-sleeves, having just clambered into his Range Rover, instantly jumps out again to greet a solitary voter.

One hundred miles to the west, in the Vale of Evesham, Peter Walker, Secretary of State for Agriculture, is doing a door to door canvass in a tiny village, conducted at a trot.

There is no sign in Mr Walker's manner of a man who has been in Parliament since 1961 and first entered the Cabinet as far back as 1970. He tackles his canvassing as though he were a first-time candidate trying to earn the right to contest a winnable seat in the next election.

Both of them have safe Conservative majorities. In the last Parliament Worcester returned Mr Walker with a majority of over 11,000, while in Cambridgeshire South-East, Mr Pym's majority was twice that size.

However, both constituencies have been affected by boundary changes which are expected to reduce the natural Conservative majority in Mr Pym's seat, now called Cambridgeshire South-East, but to have a more or less neutral impact on Mr Walker.

These changes have added about 8,000 urban voters to the seat which Mr Pym is contesting, but have reduced the number of villages from about 135 to 85. In order to get round all the villages Mr Pym eschews door to door canvassing. He toured in his Range Rover, announcing over the loudspeaker: "This is Francis Pym, your Conservative candidate, in Reach this afternoon".

There follows a brief chat with about fifteen or twenty housewives and retired people outside the village post office. Then they are off to the next village, Burwell.



Mr Pym: Only six days away from the doorsteps.

The Pyms used to live in the area, and Mrs Pym pops into the butcher's shop. Whether she secures a vote is not clear, but she comes out clutching a small package: "The best sausages in England", she announces.

During the campaign both Mr Walker and Mr Pym have three meetings daily, whenever they are in their constituencies.

After speculation in the national press, Mr Pym is repeatedly questioned about his future and his relations with the Prime Minister. An extremely good working relationship, he replies, and yes, he does expect to continue as Foreign Secretary.

Mr Walker is spending about half the campaign outside his constituency.

Mr Pym feels that if he is to get round all 85 villages he cannot afford more than six days away. Three of those days are accounted for by a meeting in Brussels, and by the Williamsburg summit.



Rallying a weary army: Mr Foot speaking at the end of the People's March for Jobs. (Photograph: Tony Weaver).

Labour finds solace in canvass returns

By David Felton

Mr Michael Foot's campaign enters the final straight today in an air of persisting unreality, with the Labour leader banking on optimistic reports of support for the party from local officials being translated into votes on Thursday.

The campaign trail has been punctuated by enthusiastic, packed rallies and party workers telling Mr Foot that the opinion polls do not reflect their canvass returns.

He has been impressed by their findings but now has finally acknowledged that yesterday's polls showing Labour heading for a disastrous defeat could not all be "cooked", an allegation he made last week.

A tired-looking Mr Foot told journalists as he travelled by train from Edinburgh to Newcastle upon Tyne on Saturday night that the party faced "a hell of a job" if it was to win, but then added that he believed Labour could win the "don't knows" with its arguments on unemployment.

His confidence in reports from canvassers has kept him plugging away at the unemployment and welfare state issues in a campaign which has never really taken off.

His three-week tour has been largely devoid of controversy, sparkle and direction. On occasions it, and Mr Foot, have come to life, but there appears to have been a conscious decision to run a low-key campaign.

That has been justified by party strategists with the argument that the unemployment issue would win Labour the election. It is noticeable that in Mr Foot's speeches, which have become increasingly lacklustre and rambling, there is virtually no reference to his political opponents in the Alliance parties, and his attacks on Mrs Thatcher have been muted.

Mr Foot's personal low-key campaign was also designed to limit the number of "own goals" by the Labour leader. That has been largely successful, the biggest gaffes have come from his colleagues. But overall result has been a tour of the hustings by a man whom it was difficult to believe was leading the main opposition party.

He has become inreasingly tetchy with the media, accusing them of not painting a true picture of what happens as he draws large crowds on walkabouts and speaks to full meetings. He has a point – but one reason why so little of what he says is reported is that very little is new.

All last week he spoke about the "failure" of the Williamsburg economic summit and the *Panorama* confrontation between the Prime Minister and Sir Robin Day, and despite the fact that they were tired and old issues by the weekend he kept plugging away.

There is no doubting the genuine affection shown for Mr Foot at the rallies and among party workers, although some leave the meetings saying that they are slightly disappointed that the expected fire and passion have not materialized.

On occasions, usually when Mr Foot is angry, it has appeared, and he then becomes a very impressive speaker, capable of winning hearts and minds. There was an example in Newcastle after the train journey talking about the opinion polls which had obviously riled him.

Mr Foot warned his audience not to be misled by the polls and then made a fighting speech to an ecstatic reception. But this was old Labour Newcastle, with a youth brass band playing the *Red Flag* at a packed meeting.

Another example of Mr Foot being roused came at Cotteridge, a suburb of Birmingham, where he delivered the controversial statement on nuclear disarmament after Mr Healey's statement on Polaris. That was delivered again in true Labour fashion – a church hall bursting at the seams, with trade union banners

He has also performed well before predominantly student audiences at Oxford and Warwick universities.

Mr Foot returns to his adopted home in the Welsh valleys on Wednesday. His eve of election speech will be delivered in the leisure centre at Ebbw Vale

Many may resort to tactical voting

By John Winder

The vital importance of the tactical voting which may take place on Thursday, and against which the Prime Minister has been warning potential Conservative voters, is underlined by the details of a poll by Market and Opinion Research (MORI) last week of *The Sunday Times* panel of voters.

The answers of just under 1,000 voters countrywide in 60 constituencies show that 27 per cent of Conservative supporters would be prepared to switch their votes – mostly to the Alliance – if they thought that in their constituency the Conservative had no chance of winning.

There is little comfort for the Conservatives in the fact that 32 per cent of Labour's supporters gave a similar answer, because 71 per cent of the Conservatives still considering switching their vote would support the Alliance and so would 87 per cent of the Labour supporters who would also withdraw their support from a candidate who they considered had no chance of winning.

The Alliance also has 24 per cent of those polled who would consider switching if their candidate was considered to have no chance, but their switch would be almost equal: 38 per cent to Conservative and 42 per cent to Labour. That discounts 2 per cent in the Alliance vote who said they would switch but when asked to whom, indicated the other half of the Alliance: SDP if they had first opted for Liberal and vice versa.

The extent of the target for the last days of the campaign is expanded by 11 per cent of voters who still have not made up their minds. Naturally, as the day of decision draws nearer, the support for all parties has hardened in that fewer and fewer voters still say that they may change their allegiance.

The Alliance comes off the worst in this respect with 15 per cent still hesitating; while 11 per cent of Labour and 7 per cent of Conservatives remain undecided.

But pollsters generally believe that trends are at least as important as present figures and Alliance's support has hardened much more than that of other parties.

A poll taken between April 21 and 25 showed that 44 per cent of Alliance supporters "might change" their vote, but only 23 per cent of Conservatives and 25 per cent of Labour.

The strength of the Alliance's position in the centre, gathering such fickle support from either side as may be available, is shown by the fact that no transfers between Conservative and Labour, either way, took place last week among those constituting *The Sunday Times* voters' panel polled in this survey.

The party political broadcast easily comes top of the means by which the parties are reaching the electorate. The low direct impact of the election meeting is shown by the same table: only 1 per cent of those surveyed said they had attended meetings last week addressed by candidates. Each of the three main parties had been equally supported in that respect.

Alliance broadcasts had been seen by 48 per cent. Other parties' programmes had been seen by 21 per cent while 3 per cent had seen programmes but could not remember which party had been responsible for them.

Mr Robert Worcester, managing director of MORI, expressed disquiet yesterday at the use being made of opinion polls. He pointed out that only one of yesterday's polls, discounting one taken on the telephone, showed the Alliance leading Labour for second place but that some of the media were interpreting them all as showing that.

Clash over offer of free buffet

By Craig Seton

An offer of a "free buffet" at a social evening where members and guests could meet their Conservative candidates has provoked a political row in Devon and an allegation that it breached the Representation of the Peoples Act.

The offer was contained in an advertisement in the *Seaton News*, advertising a social evening at the Seaton Conservative club on Saturday night an attended by Sir Peter Emery, Conservative candidate for Honiton and an MP for 20 years.

Mr Alistair Sampson, the SDP/Alliance candidate for the constituency said yesterday: "It is illegal under the Representation of the Peoples Act to offer any form of inducement to a voter during an election campaign. I am deeply concerned that a Conservative club in the constituency should have offered a free buffet."

Mr Sampson and party officials are to take legal advice about the free offer and, if Sir Peter wins they may consider court action to challenge the result, which if successful could lead to a by-election.

The SDP has not however claimed that Sir Peter or Mr James Cobley, his election agent, knew of the buffet offer. Mr Cobley said he had written to Mr Sampson but had been advised by lawyers not to comment further.

Sir Peter said in a statement last night that neither he nor his election agent were aware of the free buffet at any of the Conservative clubs thay had visited in the constituency, nor had they athorized press advertising about any of their visits.

TABLE OF POLLS

How the chief opinion polls have reflected party fortunes since May

Field Work Dates	Poll	Sample Size	C	Lab	Alliance	Others	C lead
May			%	%	%	%	%
24-25	Harris (Thames TV)	1,034	48	33	18	1	15
24-25	MORI (S Times)	1,023	46	30	23	1	16
24-26	Gallup (Daily Telegraph)	2,015	49	31.5	18	1.5	17.5
25-30	Gallup (Daily Telegraph)	918	47.5	28	23	1.5	19.5
26	MORI (Express)	1,088	51	29	18	2	22
26-27	Harris (Observer)	1,029	47	30	21	2	17
27	Marplan (S Mirror)	1,325	49.5	31	19	0.5	18.5
30	Audience Selection (TV AM 'phone)	1,056	41	30	24	5	11
31	MORI (Star)	1,026	44	32	21	3	12
31	Audience Selection (The Sun 'phone)	504	44	29	25	2	15
31-1	Harris (Thames TV)	1,038	46	28	24	2	18
31-1	Harris (TV Eye)	1,048	46	28	24	2	18
31-1	Marplan (Guardian)	1,276	47	30	22	1	17
31-2	Gallup (Sunday Telegraph)	1,989	45.5	31.5	22	1	14
June 2	Mori (Daily Express)	1,067	43	32	23	2	11
1-3	Mori (S Times panel)	942	45	28	25	2	17
2-3	Harris (Observer)	1.041	47	28	23	2	19
3	Marplan (S Mirror)	1,311	44	27	27.5	1.5	17
3	NOP (Mail on Sunday)	1,074	47	29	23	1	18
General election – May 1979			45	38	(Lib) 14	3	7

Today's speeches

ALLIANCE
Bayswater: Roy Jenkins and David Steel, Porchester Hall, Westbourne Grove, W2, 7.30pm.
Formby: Shirley Williams and Richard Crawshaw, Highrange Comprehensive, 8.30pm.
Rochdale: Cyril Smith, Rochdale Unitarian Church, Spotland Road, 8pm.
Plymouth: David Owen, Kings Tamerton School, St Budeaux, 7.30pm.

LABOUR
Dover: Michael Foot, Girls' School, Frith Road, 7pm; Chatham, Central Hall, 8pm.
Carlisle: Denis Healey, Market Hall, 8pm.
Bristol: Tony Benn, Barton Hill Infants S, Queen Anne Road, 7.30pm.
Portsmouth: John Silkin, Civil Service Sports Centre, Copnor Road, 7pm; Southampton, Itchen College, Deacon Road, 8.30pm.
South Yorkshire: Eric Varley, St John's Junior S, Deepcar, 7pm; Stocksbridge S, Stocksbridge, 7.45pm.
Gwent: Neil Kinnock, Blackwood S, Blackwood, 7pm; Markham Welfare Hall, Markham, 7.45.

CONSERVATIVE
Southampton: Sir Geoffrey Howe, Hill College, Hill Lane, 7.30pm.
Swansea: Michael Heseltine, Patti Pavilion, 7.15pm.
Chingford: Norman Tebbit, Chingford Senior High S, Niven Drive, London E4, 8pm.
Luton: Lord Hailsham, Putteridge High School, Putteridge Road, 7pm.
Hatfield: Onslow Comprehensive S, Old Rectory Drive, 8.30.
Carlisle: William Whitelaw, City Hall, 7.30pm.
BBC: Election Call, Michael Foot, 9.05am. BBC1 and R4, Panorama, Michael Foot, BBC1, 8.10pm.
TV-am: Good Morning Britain, Denis Healey, 7.30am.
Channel 4: Channel 4 News, Denis Healey, David Owen, 7pm.

Hopeful Steel in strategy talks

By Michael Knipe

Mr David Steel presided over a strategy meeting of the SDP/Liberal Alliance leadership last night with the satisfaction of having seen his cautious prediction of the Alliance's standing in the opinion polls largely confirmed.

Throughout last week he said he would be happy to see the Alliance reach 25 per cent by the weekend, which it did in the *Sunday Times* Mori Poll, while the *Sunday Mirror's* Marplan gave it 27.5 per cent, a half point ahead of Labour.

The Liberal leader, who is also leader of the Alliance's election campaign, has stressed since the campaign began that the Alliance can make its greatest strides in winning voters in the last few days of the campaign. This was the pattern of its recent by-election victories, as well as its disaster in Darlington.

Mr Steel expects the Alliance bandwagon to pick up speed as voters realize the extent of Labour's loss of support and fears of a Labour challenge give way to fears of a Conservative landslide.

Expressing the hope that many moderate Conservative supporters might yet swing their backing behind the Alliance, Mr Steel said yesterday during an Independent Radio News phone-in that a lot of Conservative voters would be "actually appalled" at the thought of the kind of policies that would be pursued by a Conservative government with a majority of landslide proportions. Those voters might well decide, he said, that they would rather have a strong moderating Alliance influence.

Commenting on the opinion polls, Mr Steel said: "The curve is upwards and we do seem to have overtaken the Labour Party now. We are coming into the home straight and it is a question of whether we can catch the Tories. The Conservatives undeniably had a huge lead.

The thrust of last night's campaign strategy meeting at the National Liberal Club was to plot tactics for the last few days and to assess where best to target the Alliance attack.

Admission by Healey

The first admission by the Labour leadership that they could be losing anti-Conservative votes to the Alliance, particularly in Conservative marginals was made last night by Mr Denis Healey, deputy leader of the party.

Returning to his own constituency in Leeds East for the first time since the campaign started, Mr Healey said that some voters were turning to the Alliance as the party with the best chance of fending off a new and extreme Tory Government. People were deeply worried at the prospect of a Conservative victory which would bring a "one-woman dictatorship backed by the provo wing of the Conservative Party."

"Some of them particularly in Tory marginals, are voting for the Alliance because they think it may have the best chance of beating the sitting Tory."

Skills training neglected, Williams says

The Government was neglecting all forms of skill training except the Youth Training Scheme, Mrs Shirley Williams, president of the SDP, said in Crosby yesterday.

"The shortage of skills is now so dire that any economic recovery will be choked off at an early stage."

About 12,500 skilled people retired or left engineering every year but only 10,000 apprentices were being trained.

Support falls for Provisional Sinn Fein

Provisional Sinn Fein, the political wing of the IRA, has suffered a drop in support since last October's assembly election, according to an opinion poll published in Northern Ireland this morning, showing nationalist voters splitting 2 to 1 in favour of the Social Democratic and Labour Party (Richard Ford writes from Belfast).

The poll is published in today's *Irish News* in Belfast.

The violence of apartheid

White man who beat black to death sent to jail at weekends only

From Our Own Correspondent, Johannesburg

A white man who celebrated his nineteenth birthday last year by going out and beating a black man to death with karate sticks has been found guilty of culpable homicide – the equivalent of manslaughter in English law – in the Pretoria regional court.

Mr Ronnie van der Merwe was sentenced to no more than two years in jail and will serve only 2,000 hours of "periodic imprisonment" at the weekends, of which 800 hours have been suspended conditionally for the next five years.

This was one of two cases within the last week showing the depth of racial feeling underpinning South Africa's policy of apartheid.

In the second case, a bizarre, if ingenious, plot to let loose sypilis-infected white mice among the revellers at Sun City, South Africa's Las Vegas-type entertainment complex on the edge of the Kalahari Desert, was disclosed. Two former members of an extreme right-wing organization were allegedly involved.

The court was told that the two men, Mr Jacob Viljoen, a former policeman, aged 40, from Klerksdorp, and Mr Kendrik Jacobz, aged 37, of Rustenburg, also planned to blow up multiracial hotels and assassinate Mr P. W. Botha, the Prime Minister, and Bishop Desmond Tutu, the outspoken black general secretary of the South African Council of Churches.

In the culpable homicide case, Mr van der Merwe's sentence means that he will be free to continue his job on the railways during the week, though he will have to report to a probation officer regularly for the next two years.

The court heard how, after visiting his father with a friend on October 27 last year, Mr van der Merwe expressed the desire "to hit a 'houtkop' (thickhead)", an abusive term for a black.

While driving later in their car, he and his friend passed three blacks walking along the street. Mr van der Merwe told the court he was "under the impression" they were mocking at him. He had got out of his car and twice hit Mr Japhta Kgopa, aged 23, on the head with *nunchaka* sticks, weapons used in karate.

The court heard evidence from a probation officer and a clinical psychologist that Mr van der Merwe had been unsettled by the break-up of his parents' marriage and the fact that his girl friend had left him. But the magistrate found that his crime was "hideous" and unprovoked.

The leniency of the courts in dealing with cases of white attacks on blacks has often been noted. Only a handful of whites have been executed for the murder of blacks, whereas blacks who murder or rape whites are invariably hanged.

In the Sun City case, both defendants were members of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging, (Afrikaner Resistance Movement), they resigned last week to spare the organization "embarrassment".

They are changed with terrorism and illegal possession of firearms. They are in the dock at the Pretoria Supreme Court more normally used for trials of members of the underground African National Congress.

Mr Jacobz told the court that Sun City was "Satan's nest". An alternative to the mice plan was apparently to scatter stink-bomb capsules which, when broken underfoot, would supposedly release the syphilis germs. They also considered spreading nails on the road to Sun City so that "people who want to go to Sun City instead of church would get flat tyres".

Cocktails and cautionary tales

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

An invitation to John Vorster Square is not something which any foreign correspondent in South Africa, still less any South African, black or white, can afford to take lightly. The very name is enough to send a *frisson* of fear down the spine of the most innocent of citizens, the least provacative of journalists.

It was, therefore, with some trepidation that a party of us presented ourselves at the functional blue-and-white building at the bottom of Commissioner Street last Friday afternoon and rode up in the lift to the officers' club on the seventh floor for drinks with Brigadier Jan Du Plessis, the Divisional Comissioner, and other senior officers.

John Vorster Square is the headquarters of the Witwatersrand division of the police, and every branch, uniformed, commercial, CID and security, has its offices there., But it is as one of the main interrogatio centres of the security police that the place is best known.

It is South Africa's Lubyanka, a place from which not a few travellers have failed to return.

The invitation came some weeks ago. Who conceived this bizsarre attempt at public relaitons was never entirely clear, though we were to learn later that Volkskas, a leading South African bank, had paid for the food and drink. A number of colleagues believed it was wrong to accept, but the rest of us argued that as journalists we should not shrink from talking to, or even supping with, the Devil himself in pursuit of information.

The occasion encouraged a certain gallows humour. The word went out that rubber-soled shoes were recommended, for the staircases at John Vorster Square are notoriuosly slippery, and unfortunate accidents have been known to occur. It was also thought advisable to stay well away from windows, the last exit for a number of inmates over the years.

Our hosts seemed as surprised to see us as we were to see them. Small talk proved sticky. Finally Brigadier Louw Van Schalkwyk, a senior plainclothes CID officer, broke the ice by telling a long story in Afrikaans, which on translation seemed to contain a message of not entirely friendly import.

A man in Pietermaritzburg was bothered by a tomcat which kept the neighbourhood awake at night with its caterwauling pursuit of the ladies. The man was advised by a friend to have the animal neutered. He did so, and later the friend came round to ask if this had done the trick. "Well", the man replied, "he is still making a lot of noise, but now only in an advisory capacity." This sally was greeted by guffaws. Was it overly fanciful to see an allusion to the noisy but increasingly impotence of the South African press as the net of the security laws has been drawn tighter and tighter. The gathering was not without its familiar faces, among them the chubby boyish features and studious, gold-rimmed spectacles of Lieutenant Stephen Whitehead, one of two officers accused by the prosecuting counsel of culpable homicide in the Aggett inquest but later exonerated by the magistrate. Dr Neil Aggett was found hanging in his cell three floors above where we were drinking.

Lieutenant Whitehead has since joined the uniformed branch. "I am now too well known to be useful to the security branch", he explained. He was one of the chief interrogators of Dr Aggett, who when he died had been detained for more than 70 days without trial, charge, or access to a lawyer.

I asked a senior officer how the draconian detention powers of the police could possibly be justified. Surely there should be some time limit on how long a person could be held merely for questioning?

"It is difficult to lay down rules," he replied, deftly harpooning a cocktail olive. "You see, one man will crack in a day, whereas another will hold out for six months. Do have another drink."

Four-hour gun battle near Baalbek

Soviet Union mediates in PLO feud

From Robert Fisk
Beirut

The Soviet Union was last night mediating to try to end the violent dissension within the Palestine Liberation Organization after Palestinian guerrillas loyal to Mr Yassir Arafat were humiliated in a four-hour gun battle against Mr Arafat's opponents in Lebanon.

The shoot-out, which started when Fatah guerrillas tried to destroy a road block manned by Palestinian mutineers near Baalbek, left four men dead – including a Fatah officer and a senior Syrian intelligence agent – and at least nine wounded. But it also acquired for the rebels new and active support from the Abu Nidal Palestinian extremist group, from the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine General Command and Iranian Revolutionary Guards.

In Damascus, Mr. Valentin Chuchin, the Soviet Ambassador, has been instructed to urge both Mr Arafat and his opponents to settle their differences before the mutiny tears the PLO apart.

The Russians fear that continued friction within the movement will cause damage not only to the Palestinian cause but to Moscow's own prestige in the Middle East. Mr Arafat, himself, met Mr Chuchin before flying to Algiers at the weekend – he was said to be returning to Damascus last night – and does not need reminding of the supreme irony of the weekend's events: that exactly a year after Israel's invasion of Lebanon, PLO units should be dissipating their energies in shooting

Mr Chuchin gave Mr Arafat a letter from Mr Andropov, the Soviet leader, and later handed a similar letter to President Assad. Their contents were not disclosed.

As diplomats of four Arab nations began their own series of mediation efforts yesterday – partly designed to facilitate Lebanon's request for an Arab summit on troop withdrawals, but also prompted by the dispute within the PLO – it became clear Mr Arafat's men had come off worse in Saturday's brief but explosive confrontation outside Baalbek.

Though each side claimed the other had started shooting first, it was the vain attempt by PLO loyalists to remove a checkpoint on the main road between Baalbek and Rayak that started the battle.

As mortars and rocket-propelled grenades exploded across the road – gravely wounding an innocent taxi driver who later had his legs amputated – the two groups of PLO men fought over open sights across a flat wheatfield 800 yards from the highway. Lieutenant-Colonel Shastri, the regional PLO commander, claimed yesterday that the battle lasted only for five minutes, though in fact it continued from 9am until 1pm and left Mr Abu Saleh's mutineer officers still entrenched round the village of Maidaloun.

The road block had been no mere symbol of the mutineers' power: it had been set up to guard their munitions route from the Syrian town of Zabadani and by yesterday morning, they had acquired some ominous new recruits. Not only Abu Nidal's gunmen arrived at Majdaloun, but the PFLP-GC's guerrillas, and parties of armed Iranians turned up to support the mutineers' base.

The road to Zabadani is also the supply trail for the Iranian revolutionary guards whom Syria transported into Lebanon last year. The area was quiet yesterday, though the headless corpse of the Syrian intelligence man was observed being carried from a local hospital to an ambulance taking him home to Syria for burial.

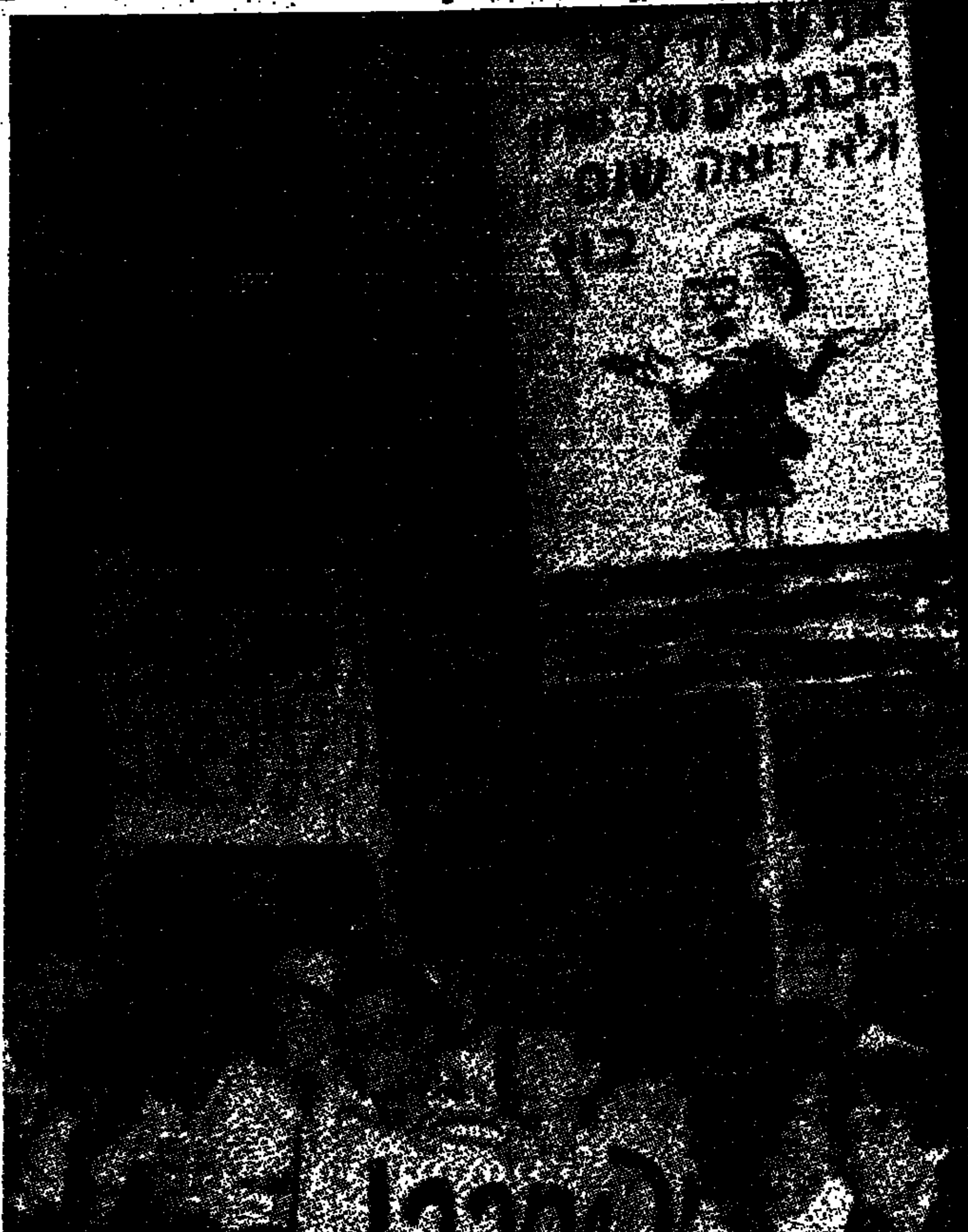
It looks, however, as though Arab attention will be temporarily, refocused on the broader issues, of the Syrian and Palestinian presence in Lebanon: over the next few days, Colonel Gaddafi of Libya, who regards President Amin Gemayel's Lebanese Government as "illegitimate" yesterday received Crown Prince Abdullah bin Abdul Aziz of Saudi Arabia; while King Husain of Jordan arrived in the United Arab Emirates for talks on Lebanon.

Mr Elie Salem, the Lebanese Foreign Minister, returned from Saudi Arabia with faintly optimistic statements about King Fahd's concern for Lebanese-Syrian relations; but in Damascus Mr Chadli Klibi, the Arab League secretary general, found that President Assad of Syria wished to talk not about a Syrian withdrawal but about the Lebanese-Israeli withdrawal agreement. The Israelis, he told Mr Klibi, "must withdraw from Arab Lebanon without any conditions...".

● CAIRO: Egypt on Saturday became the first Arab country to endorse publicly Prsident Gemayel's request for an urgent Arab summit conference to expedite the withdrawal of foreign troops from his country, Robert Holloway wirtes.

In a reference to Syria, Mr. Kamal Hassan Ali, the Foreign Minister, said, that "the continued rejection by some parties of the Lebanese-Israeli troop withdrawal agreement and attempts to strengthen opposition within Lebanon to that agreement can result only in south Lebanon turing into a north bank".

Addressing a joint session of the Arab affairs, foreign affairs, defence, and national security committees of the Egyptian Parliament he said Egypt could not agree to a partial Israeli withdrawal which would mean "continued infringement of Lebanon's sovereignty and the legalization of Israel's illegal occupation" of Lebanon.



Target Begin: Members of the Peace Now movement protesting in Tel Aviv on Saturday night against Israel's continued presence in Lebanon.

Wife weeps after $81m settlement

Los Angeles (Reuter) – Belgian-born Shaikha Dena al-Fassi, aged 24, awarded what could be a record $81m (£50.6m) share of the communal property in the legal separation from her Saudi Arabian husband, said as she wiped away tears: "the money means nothing to me".

In assessing communal property Judge Robert Fainer of the Los Angeles Superior Court, has added up a glittering list of goods said to be in the possession of Shaikh Muhammad al-Fassi, aged 28, a billionaire businessman.

Two things marred the settlement for Shaikha Dena. Her husband has taken their two sons and two daughters, aged between 3 and 5, to Saudi Arabia from the United States. One of her lawyers also admitted that his firm will have a difficult time collecting money of much of the communal property in the Shaikh's possession.

Utility parade for Romans

Rome (Reuter) – On the 37th anniversary of the founding of the republic, Italy revived the traditional military parade shelved eight years ago because of the Gulf oil crisis. But for spectators it was a flop, with only 8,000 soldiers taking part and no heavy armoured vehicles.

Lorries carrying *viveri* (food supplies), earth-moving vehicles, fire engines and anti-aircraft machine guns rolled by instead. An anti-nuclear group announced an alternative march for peace through the Piazza Venezia.

Kampala says only 81 died

Nairobi – Eighty-one civilians were killed in the recent attack on a refugee camp at Kikyusa, 30 miles north of Kampala, not 200, as reported in some newspapers, Mr Paulo Muwanga, Uganda's Vice-President and Defence Minister, said in Kampala.

The attack was by "bandits" [anti-government guerrillas] and not the work of a government murder squad, he insisted.

Romania pledge

Washington – President Reagan has advised Congress that Romania should continue to enjoy its most favoured nation tariff treatment in the United States after assurances from Bucharest that potential emigrants will not be obliged to repay the state for higher education.

Guitarist guilty

Dallas (AFP) – David Crosby, aged 41, the guitar-playing former member of the rock groups The Byrds and Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young, was found guilty of cocaine possession and illegal gun-carrying. Sentence will be given on July 15. Mr Crosby fell asleep several times during the hearing.

Beatle saluted



George Harrison, the former Beatle, who has earned praise in the Soviet daily *Sovietskaya Rossiya* both for his musical abilities and concern for the Third World. In a rare tribute to a Western pop star, the paper noted his charity concert in 1971 for aid to Bangladesh.

Down to earth

Paris (Reuter) – Engine trouble in their light aircraft forced two French astronauts and a Soviet cosmonaut down in a cauliflower field in Brittany. Jean-Loup Chrétien, who took part in a Franco-Soviet Salyut space flight last year, had taken them to his country home from the Paris air show.

Crews jailed

Aswan (Reuter) – An Egyptian court jailed 39 sailors for 30 days pending interrogation on last month's Nile river fire which gutted their three vessels and killed 317 people. The prosecutor accused them of negligence, manslaughter and damaging public property.

Hotel crumbles

Riyadh (AFP) – Nine people were killed and many injured when a nine-storey hotel facing the Grand Mosque in Mecca, collapsed in the course of demolition.

ETA owns up

San Sebastian (Reuter). – The Basque separatist movement ETA claimed responsibility for six bomb attacks on Friday in the Mediterranean resorts of Marbella and Fuengirola.

Unions tell González to quit Nato

From Richard Wigg
Madrid

Spain's Socialist trade unions, holding their second national conference since the advent of democracy, issued a ringing call here yesterday to the Gonzáles Government to take Spain out of Nato.

A unanimous resolution by the 800 delegates from unions grouped in the UGT organization urged the Government to proceed with the promised referendum on Nato, which Spain decided to join only 12 months ago. Union members will participate actively in the pre-referendum campaign, a member of the executive said afterwards. There were benefits for Spain in adopting a neutral stance between the two power blocks, he said.

Señor Fernando Morán, the Foreign Minister, who attended the conference, told reporters he believed the UGT stand reflects correctly the present state of Spanish public opinion.

Promising that the referendum will be held during the life of the present Parliament, which ends in 1986, Señor Morán said the form of questions to be put at the referendum had not been decided.

China and Russia open border posts

Kashgar, China (Reuter) – China and the Soviet Union have agreed to open two crossing posts on their Central Asian border to make trade exchanges easier after a break of more than two decades, according to a senior official here.

Thr crossings, at Turugart near Kashgar, in southern Xinjiang, and at Yining 440 miles farther north, will handle state-to-state and not local trade, Mr Eisa Shakir, a deputy commissioner, told foreign reporters. The agreement provided for cross-border exchanges to begin on July 1, he said.

A similar crossing point is being set up on the two countries' northern frontier, in Heilongjiang province, which Chinese officials say will handle only trade.

Soviet sources in Peking said that Sino-Soviet trade is to rise overall by about 170 per cent this year to aboutr $800m (£500m).

The increase in exchanges is a further sign of the limited thaw in relations between the two communist superpowers, frozen more than 20 years ago after a bitter ideological dispute.

Deputy foreign ministers from the two sides began talks late last year on ways of normalizing relations, with little sign yet of having found common ground.

China objects to several million Soviet troops being deployed along its border, to the Soviet military intervention in Afghaistan, and Russian support for Vietnamese action in Cambodia.

Kashgar as been a flourishing commercial centre for centuries. People on either side of the rugged border are of similar stock

●HONGKONG: China is building 10 missile-launching bases aimed at Russia, according to Western intelligence sources. Two have been completed and the others will be finished next year, Richard Hughes writes.

Congressmen begin tour of Nicaragua

Managua (Reuter) – Five United States congressmen have arrived here as the Defence Ministry reported fresh fighting on Nicaragua's northern border with Honduras.

The congressmen were the first US officials to viset Managua since President Reagan accused Nicaragua's left-wing Government in April of imposing a dictatorship in the people.

Mr Bill Nelson and Mr Earl Hutto, both Democrats, and Mr Kenneth Kramer, Mr George Wortley and Mr Norman Shumway, all Repulicans met Señor Hugo Torres, the Army's poitical chief and are to hold talks with other leaders during their two-day stay.

More than 600 people have died this year in clashes between army units and rebels, according to government figures.

Gloom in Senate over superpower relations

From Our Correspondent, Washington

A Senate report released here this weekend was pessimistic about the chances of an early arms control agreement and painted a gloomy picture of current US-Soviet relations.

The report was written by five senior staff members of the Republican-controlled Senate foreign relations committee. They interviewed officials in Moscow and Europe in preparation for extensive congressional hearings here this month on relations between the two superpowers.

Deployment of the US Pershing and cruise missiles in West Europe beginning in December is foreseen because the report indicated that the Geneva Intermediate-range Nuclear Forces reduction talks are unlikely to reach agreement by the end of this year.

The report said that prospects were even worse for a US-Soviet agreement at the separate Geneva strategic arms reduction talks (start) which resume on Wednesday.

The report said the two superpowers lost an important opportunity for a mutually beneficial INF agreement last year, when both rejected an unauthorized proposal worked out informally by their chief negotiators at Geneva.

The State Department of Friday welcomed the call by Mr Yuri Andropov, the Soviet leader, for an improvement in relations between the two countries. Mr Andropov did this during a recent Moscow meeting with Mr Averell Harriman, the American elder statesman and former ambassador to the Soviet Union, who is 91

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Angola regime shaken by diamonds scandal

By a Special Correspondent
recently in Luanda

Reports from within the ruling MPLA suggest that the authority of President José Eduardo dos Santos of Angola may be undermined by a diamond scandal implicating senior officials in his own entourage.

Five pilots of the Angolan airline TAAG are said to have been arrested and five others have chosen to remain outside Angola. More significantly, five or six senior MPLA officials are said to have been detained.

The scandal, which has not yet been made public, is threatening to bring into the open the whole question of the national leadership. There are suggestions that President dos Santos may stay in titular control by that some of his executive powers may be devolved upon a college of veterans within the 11-man MPLA political bureau, the country's senior organization.

This would forestall the risk of a coup reported to have been under discussion among younger Army officers frustrated by an alleged lack of direction and decisiveness at the top.

The diamond scandal came to a head when the Minister of Mines and Industries, Lieutenant-Colonel Bento Ribeiro, called in British mining police to help stop smuggling in the eastern Lunda province, bordering Zambia and Zaire.

The mine police, together with their Angolan counterparts, recently trained at a specialist school in Britain, are reported to have reduced the smuggling appreciably.

After oil, diamonds are Angola's biggest foreign currency earner, but smuggling is estimated to have been losing Diamang, the state diamond company, between $60m and $84m (£37m-£52m) a year. The Unita guerrilla movment, which has been fighting the MPLA administration in the centre and south of Angola, has been one of the beneficiaries.

The political crisis broke just before President dos Santos made an offical visit to Moscow on May 16. He was handed a report, written to protect senior MPLA officials involved in smuggling, which accused the British mine police of being spies and demanding the arrest of Angolans trying to uncover the scandal.

But the minister of planning, Mr Lopo do Nascimento, considered one of the more pragmatic members of the leadership and its key economic figure, took the opposite line. He told Sir Philip Oppenheimer, chairman of the London-based Diamond Trading Company which buys Angola's diamonds and markets them through De Beers' Central Selling Organization (CSI), that the British mine police were most welcome and that the Diamond Trading Company should be given greater freedom in its technical management of Diamang. Mr Do' Nascimento apparently accepted expert opion that Angolan political and managerial interference, along with smuggling involving MPLA officials, had received output.

Mystery of school killer

A picture released by West German police of Czechoslovak-born Karel Charva, aged 34, who went beserk with two pistols at a school near Frankfurt on Friday, killing two adults and three children and wounding 14. He then killed himself.

Yesterday police said he may have not known the teacher who was his first target. Earlier, police thought the gunman, a psychology graduate, probably did know Herr Franz-Adolf Gelhaar since, according to the first statements by the headmaster, Charva had asked directions to the teacher's class and shot at him first.

The change of view deepened the mystery over the motives of the killer.

Police said they adjusted their view after Herr Willi Belz, headmaster of the Freiherr von Stein school, failed to identify a photograph of Charva as the man who asked for directions.

Reagan rebuff fails to deter Grenada Premier

From Mohsin Ali
Washington

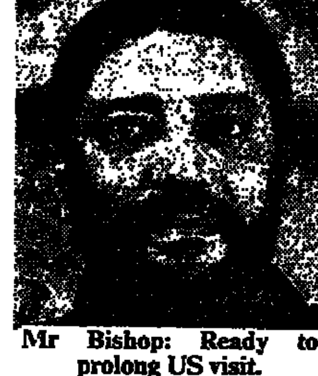
Mr Maurice Bishop, Grenada's left-wing Prime Minister, has renewed his appeal for better relations between his Commonwealth Caribean island nation and the United States despite being denied talks with President Reagan.

He arrived in Washington on a private visit a week ago seeking to improve his country's relations with the Reagan Adminstration and a meeting with the president at the White House.

His Government, which seized power in a coup in 1979, has been accused by President Reagan of coming under "Castoite control".

Mr Bishop, bearded and six feet tall, answered questions in a relaxed and articulate manner at the Granada diplomatic mission.

He emphasized repeatedly that Grenada had given a "clear signal" that it wanted to make a new start and normalize relations with the United States.



Mr Bishop: Ready to prolong US visit.

He said he was not now insisting on a summit meeting with the President himself, but he wanted a discussion with a high-level Reagan Adminstration official and was hopeful this would take place.

He again denied the Administration's allegation that a new international airport, being built in Grenada with Cuban and Soviet aid, could be used for sending military supplies to left-wing rebels in El Salvador and other parts of Central America.

In a measured tone, he said that the allegations were untrue and added: "That is one of the reasons why I think that it is necessary now for us to sit down and talk to get a dialogue going, so whatever they have in their minds that they regard as concerns, they can list them.

"We can respond to them. We feel the time has come for us, so to speak, to clear our chests, put our cards on the table, and see what the possibilities for some kind of new beginning are."

He indicated that he was ready to prolong his 10-day visit to the United States if he could hold high-level discussions with a Reagan Administration official.

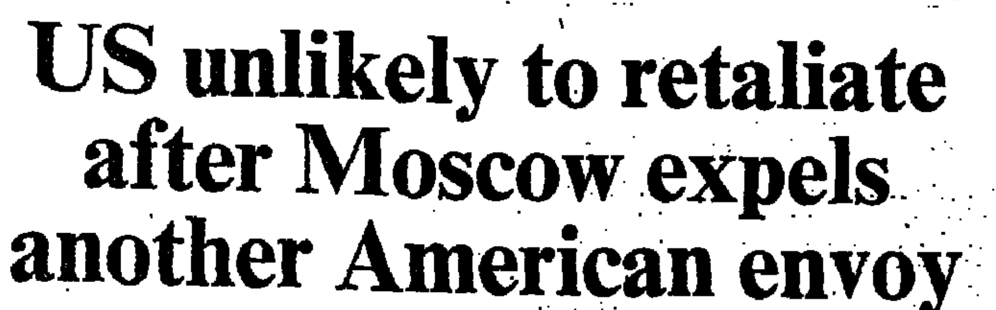
The Administration had offered him a meeting with Mr William Meddendorf, the US Ambassador to the Organization of American States, but Mr Bishop considered this to be at an inappropriate level.

A State Department official said that the proposed meeting between Mr Middendorf and Mr Bishop last Wednesday had been intended to convey several messages to the Prime Minister, but Mr Bishop had not attended.

Mr Bishop said that since there had been contact between his side and the Reagan Administration and he hoped this would lead to a high-level meeting.

Some American oficials have accused Mr Bishop of strong public rhetoric against the United States but his recent statements have been judged more moderate.

Mr Bishop said that he saw no dichotomy in Grenada having good contacts with both the United States and Cuba under the Communist leadership of President Castro.



US unlikely to retaliate after Moscow expels another American envoy

From Richard Owen, Moscow

American sources in Moscow said yesterday that the expulsion of an American diplomat on charges of espionage was not likely to lead to a fresh round of retaliatory measures between Moscow and Washington.

On Saturday the Soviet Union announced that Mr Louis Thomas an administrative attache in the security section of the US Embassy, had been declared *persona non grata*. An announcement by the news agency Tass said Mr Thomas had been caught "red-handed carrying out espionage activities" last Thursday.

Tass said an investigation by the KGB had produced "direct evidence" showing Mr Thomas's "complete guilt". It did not elaborate but said Mr Thomas had engaged in activities "incombatible with his official status", the normal euphemism for spying.

Three months ago the Russians expelled Mr Richard Osborne, a diplomat in the US Embassy's economic section, accusing him of espionage. They gave details of alleged spying activities, including the use of clandestine radio sets and soluble writing pads.

The case of Mr Osborne was not given prominence by the Soviet press and was dropped quietly once Mr Osborne had left Moscow. Similarly the accusations against Mr Thomas were carried by Tass but not reported in *Pravda* yesterday.

A US Embassy spokesman said Mr Thomas had served in Moscow for nearly two years and had been due to leave soon in any case. Friends of the Thomas family confirmed that they had planned to return to Washington early in July.

In April the United States expelled two Russians attached to the United Nations in New York, as well as a Soviet military attaché in Washington. Sources said the expulsion of Mr Thomas was probably not meant to be seen as retaliation, since the United States had enough damaging evidence against the expelled Russians to embarrass Moscow seriously.

● WARSAW: The chief military prosecutor in Warsaw arrested a Polish diplomat after his return from abroad on Friday, on charges of spying for the United States and France, Reuter reports.

The official news agency PAP reported that the diplomat, Mr Jozef Grochowski, worked in the Polish commercial counsellor's office in Tokyo and refused to return to Poland last September.

The supreme military court last December sentenced to death *in absentia* Mr Zdzislaw Rurarz, Poland's former ambassador in Tokyo, who defected to the United States, after martial law was imposed in Poland. He was accused of Treason.



Airborne sightseer: A competitor in the World Hang Gliding Championships flying past Neuschwanstein Castle in Bavaria yesterday. More than 30 countries are competing.

Pakistanis say deal on Afghanistan still far off

From Hasan Akhtar
Islamabad

Mr Yaqub Khan, Pakistan's Foreign Minister said here that indirect talks on Afghanistan in Geneva earlier this year, through the UN Secretary-General's personal representative, Señor Diego Cordóvez, could be regarded as satisfactory,but a comprehensive settlement was still far away. Mr Yaqub Khan is leaving for Moscow on Thursday for talks with Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister. Last month he had talks with the Foreign Ministers of China, Saudi Arabia, The United States and France, and with Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State at the Foreign Office. The present Geneva talks are to be resumed on June 16.

Mr Yaqub Khan said that Pakistan still held that the return of three million Afghan refugees would not be possible unless the Soviet Union withdrew its troops from Afghanistan.

The Soviet Union and the United States were considered certain to be among the guarantors of non-intervention in Afghanistn.

Mr Narasimah Rao, the Indian Foreign Affairs Minister, is attending the first meeting here of the joint commissionset up in March to promote good relations between Pakistan and India.

Mr Rao said modest but useful progress was made

Basle thanked by drug firm as dioxin slips across border at dawn

From Our Correspondent
Geneva

Forty-one barrels of deadly dioxin waste, originally from Seveso, northern Italy, arrived in Switzerland at the weekend. Hermetically sealed and under electronic and video surveillance, they are now in a deep vault in the Hoffman La Roche chemical company's compound in Basle.

The waste, resulting from an explosion in 1976 which released a poisonous cloud of fumes, went missing for eight months and was found last month in northern France. It had been kept at a French military camp until it was moved at the weekend.

The drums were taken under police escort at night from the army camp at Sissone to Basle, arriving at dawn. The blue lorries passed through the gates without even a murmur from Switzerland's usually vociferous ecologists, to the obvious relief of Hoffman La Roche, which soon afterwards issued a statement thanking the people of Basle

It is intended that the contents of the drums – now prominently labelled as dioxin, which was not previously done – be incinerated by Basle's other big chemical company, Ciba Geigy.

One result of the affair is vigorous advocacy by several countries for close international collaboration in disposal of toxic waste

New coalition's challenges

Lisbon looks abroad for prosperity

The signing of a coalition agreement on Saturday between the Socialists and Social Democrats paves the way for the formation this week of Portugal's ninth constitutional government in the eight years since democracy was fully implemented. SUSAN MACDONALD reports from Lisbon on Portugal's successes and failures since then in the light of chronic political instability and the upheavals resulting from the 1974 revolution which ended nearly half a century of dictatorship.

PORTUGAL
Part 1

When the lower echelons of the Portuguese armed forces, fedup with 12 years of war in Portuguese Africa, overthrew the last vestiges of dictatorship and gave the colonies independence, their action served to open the country to outside infulences and cut off its main source of international identity, the colonies themselves.

The Salazar regime had imposed an isolationist policy designed to protect the country from the outside world. Portugal remained backward, and underdeveloped, and when the economy could not support the population thousands emigrated.

Offical new figures show that from 1960 more than a million Portuguese went abroad, mainly to North and South America and to European countries, such as France and West Germany.

Senhor Balsemão: Success of democracy underlined.

Immediately after the revolution there was confusion. Senhor Pinto Balsemão, the present outgoing Prime Minister, in an interview with *The Times* considers that the country then swung further to the left than any other country in Europe.

A threatened Communist takeover was averted, but a nationalization programme, carried out with little thought for long-term consequences, has left Portugal with an unwieldy public sector which last year's revised constitution did little to modify.

At the same time Portugal had to absorb three-quarters of a million *retornados*–people who came home fleeing the uncertainties of the newly independent African territories. The country's lack of natural resources and the 1973 oil crisis added the the economic woes.

A new generation of democratic politicians took over–many holding idealistic principles but lacking political experience. The result had been a short-term piecemeal government with different ministers–even within the same party–providing conflicting solutions to the same problem. Power and party squabbling have brought down a succession of coalition governments.

The backward agricultural sector, which employs 29 per cent of the workforce, has no central policy plan.

Senhor Balsemão underlines the reemergence of local governmemt as one of the achievements of democracy. Foreign funding has helped Portugal to build schools and hospitals and improve communications, though a lot still needs to be done. He also cites the military parliamentary watchdog, the Council of the Revolution, as one reason for the failure to introduce necessary reforms. Until last year, when they were disbanded, they held the power of veto over all parliamentary legislation and he feels the military's role in politics lasted too long.

Portugal has therefore once again sought its economic fortune abroad. In the past few years it has been busy renewing commercial links with former African colonies, especially Angola and Mozambique.

Senhor Balsemão feels Portugal can work there because it knows the countries and their problems. He is also pleased that Portugal, in his words, has become a country to be consulted on questions relating to southern and South Africa. There are about 600,000 Portuguese in South Africa.

Tomorrow: Economic and political crisis

Increasing raids by pirates worry shippers

Twenty British merchant ships have been attacked by pirates on the high seas since January, 1981, according to a report issued by the International Maritime Organization in London at the weekend.

A total of 193 pirate attacks took place during the period and the frequency is increasing. Groups of men in powerboats, armed with guns and knives, boarded the shipsat night to steal cargo and the crew's belongings, the report said.

Attacks are particularly prevalent off West Africa and in the Singapore area. Near Singapore there were 38 attacks in the second half of 1982 and 27 in the first three months of 1983.

In and around the ports of Ghana and Nigeria there were 21 attacks in the second half of 1982 and 10 in the first three months of this year.

"A study of the available figures for reported cases of attack and armed robbery on merchant vessels reveals a problem of increasing seriousness, both in nature and frequency", the report said.

"There are grounds for considerable concern over the genuine threat that piracy poses to the safety of life at sea", it added.

There have also been many pirate attacks on Vietnamese boat people

Marxists are dropped in Volta reshuffle

Ougadougou (AFP, Reuter) – President Jean-Baptiste Ouedraogo of Upper Volta has reshuffled his Government, it was announced here last night. It was the first reshuffle since he seized power in a military coup from Colonel Saye Zerbo, on November 7, 1982.

The most significant change is the departure of a team of young government ministers affiliated with the hardline Patriotic League for Development, a Marxist organization that supports Captain Thomas Sankara, the former Prime Minister, who was arrested on May 17.

Major Ouedraogo retains the post of Defence Minister in addition to the presidency. Several of his closest colleagues remain in the Government.

Major Ouedraogo recently purged radical members of the People's Salvation Council.

President, Minister of Defence, Veterans Affairs: Major Jean-Baptiste Ouedraogo; Interior, Security: Major Harouna Tarnagda; Foreign Affairs, Cooperation: Michel Kafando; Justice: Marie-Louise Nignan; Economy, Finance: Pascal Sanon; Rural Development: Kouka Edouard Tapsoba; Public Works, Development: Salifou Coulibaly; Planning: François Zoungrana; Public Health: Alain Ouedraogo; Trade, Industrial Development, Mines: Idrissa Vinta; Civil Service: Jean Bado; Higher Education, Scientific Research: Gani Gabriel Tiiembiaco; Education, Arts, Culture: Bouraima Zorome; Information, Post, Communications: Albert Leonard Kabore; Youth, Sports: André Mono; Transport, Environment, Tourism: Sourdo Jean de Dieu; Social Affairs: Odile Nacoulma; Secretary of State for Water Resources: Benjamin Sonkoungou.

THE ARTS


Photograph of Roger Moore by Suresh Karadia

With *Octopussy,* which has its charity première at the Odeon, Leicester Square, tonight, the cinematic success story of James Bond comes of age. **David Hewson** flushes out 007 himself

Sadism for the whole family

Caparisoned in Jermyn Street finery, possessed of an irresistible lure to women and endowed with eternal good fortune, Mr James Bond, of Her Majesty's Secret Service, tonight makes his thirteenth entrance into the cinematic lists via *Octopussy.*

One may sniff at 007, and there are plenty of reasons to do so in the lesser moments of his film career, but no one can take from him his success. The Bond series is the most successful film cycle ever to come out of Britain, and one launched on the modest basis of the Eady Levy, the tax on cinema seats which returns funds to producers in relation to the popularity af their product. Today, 21 years since Sean Connery first strolled on to the screen and ordered a dry Martini, shaken not stirred, the character's popularity with the public is as great as ever.

Later this year Connery will return in the role in a Bond rival which has caused considerable chagrin to MGM/UA, the company behind Roger Moore and *Octopussy.* Talk of the battle of the Bonds, though, has been much exaggerated. Connery and Moore are old friends, and have been privately swapping stories of the physical difficulties their relative schedules have demanded during filming.

At the moment, discussions are going on to find a suitable vehicle to accommodate what Hollywood views as its three most bankable British stars: Connery, Moore and Michael Caine. In spite of some of the backchat being aimed in Connery's direction, the probability is that he is as much in line for success as Moore.

What Connery's return will serve to emphasize is the fact that the character of Bond, attractive as it may be to the public, is as fluid as its market demands. Little of the original Fleming is intact. Moore, who admits that Fleming has never been his favourite reading, says: "I looked through a few books when I was given the role. There's nothing about Bond in them."

Connery's portrayal, with its mixture of humour, cruelty and cynicism, must remain the actor's Bond. By comparison, Moore is something of a pussycat. Connery is the adult Bond: the political and sexual elements of his films, notably *From Russia With Love,* continue to say much about the Cold War period finding itself amid the birth of the permissive Sixties. Moore may give a half-hearted lecture on the dangers of unilateralism in *Octopussy* but he remains safe family entertainment. When President Reagan goes on record as admiring Moore's Bond as a guardian of freedom, the transformation is complete. Connery's character was never the sort to win official approval.

What has turned the Moore films into such a successful production cycle is the reworking of the old mixture of sex, thrills, exotic locations and comedy. The first 15 minutes of *Octopussy* are masterly, notably for the visual jokes which, at their best, are on a par with the kind of complex pyrotechnics seen in Chuck Jones's Road Runner Cartoons for Warner Brothers.

Moore likes the cartoon analogy. "We are not Peckinpah – there is very little blood and we don't lay the violence on with the trowel. But you've got to remember that there are some countries where they ban Tom and Jerry for the violence. We fill it up with a lot of jokes – that's what makes the violence acceptable. Cubby [Broccoli, the veteran Bond producer] once called it sadism for the family."

Moore shows a delicate decorum when questioned about the President of America giving such a glowing testimonial. "Reagan said what Leslie Charteris said about the Saint – he's a modern-day Robin Hood. Well, I haven't seen Bond doing too much robbing the rich to feed the poor, but maybe Robin Hood didn't either. Bond is not really a spy. Spies are faceless. I can't walk into any bar in the world without some girl knowing that I take a Martini shaken not stirred."

And he is equally disarming about the relative merits of financial security against professional acclaim. "I always wanted to have a career like Rex Harrison, who was an actor who made movies. It didn't work out that way – I'm a movie actor. The longer I am away from the theatre the more nervous I am about going back. I should get out and exercise my legs, but I'm so exhausted by the time I finish a picture. I don't want to go and rehearse a play – I'd much rather enjoy myself. I'd be a sitting duck – the critics would love to think here's a bloody movie actor on the stage. Then I have the habit of working in films where, if someone drops a hammer, I stop. I could see myself in the theatre stopping every time someone went to the toilet. If circumstances financially said I had to get off my bum and do a play, I would have done it.

"But they never have – it's a double-edged sword. Bond doesn't win awards, except perhaps for the song and the special effects. It's like Spielberg – the ones the public really like never get the award. I can't understand that."

PUBLISHING

Writers' rights

Barbara Cartland apparently needs the money. So does Roald Dahl. And Jilly Cooper, Melvyn Bragg, A. J. P. Taylor, Salman Rushdie, Angus Wilson and Dick Francis. Unlike the majority of Britain's published book authors, professional and amateur, they have recently taken time off to fill in – or out, if you prefer American usage – green forms which enable them to apply for Public Lending Right loot. No author is eligible for more than £5,000, irrespective of how many borrowings of his or her books have taken place from the chosen sample of public libraries in the past year. With some of them, the money will presumably go towards income tax. What central government doles out with one hand, it seizes back with the other.

It has taken decades for PLR to become law, and it is the most important single thing that has happened to book writers since they have able to retain copyright in their work. A. P. Herbert and John Brophy were prominent among the early campaigners, and a generation later John Brophy's daughter Brigid is more responsible than any other individual for seeing the principle enshrined on the statute book, and that the scheme, as administered by the registrar at Stockton-on-Tees, works.

The last day of this month is the closing date for authors, co-authors and illustrators to register if they are to have a share of the first annual handout. Given the years taken to achieve PLR, it is depressing that only 5,000 authors, with an average of eight books each, have applied. Thousands more have tried to master the application form, and failed. Still, as one author who has completed and returned the form says, "The fewer writers who apply, the more money there'll be to divide among those of us who do". Another commented that some accountants would charge £5,000 to fill in the form for a successful and prolific author.

The total sum to be distributed in the first year is £2m less the cost of administration, about £400,000. No doubt, if the total was £20m, the cost of administration would be greatly in excess of £2m.

PLR is, as its name insists, a right, not a benevolence. Therefore it is galling to authors to have to have their forms witnessed by a JP or a lawyer. How many authors know, or know they know, a JP? How many authors can afford a lawyer, even if they are able to locate one?

A writer may remember the titles of his books. Almost definitely, especially if his books were published more than a few years ago, he will not know the International Standard Book Number, that essential code in 1983 for any book.

The PLR form requests him to list ISBNs. They are for computers and light pens, those contraptions which make it easy for you to acquire, by number rather than author or title, the books you desire from your local library. I am being a trifle unfair: if you do not know your ISBNs – and most books have acquired them since they were published – the registrar and his staff will supply you with them.

There are other problems, more to do with bureaucracy than literature. If an author has a co-author it is essential to persuade him to sign the form jointly with the first author, the authors having agreed between themselves in what proportion PLR should be distributed. This may be any division, provided the authors agree. What happens if a writer hungry for PLR cannot locate his co-author, or the collaborator is dead? No PLR is paid to anyone. This is sheer bureaucratic perversity, and typical of governments' respect for contemporary writing to penalize – indeed disqualify – a living author if his partner is deceased or mislaid.

This applies not least to children's authors. A book is not a book unless it has 32 printed pages. Likewise with poetry or a play – tough luck, Samuel Beckett (but you are not a British national, so not eligible anyway).

One author proposed to his illustrator that the monies should be divided 75/25. The artist demurred, suggesting she should receive but 10 per cent. When she realized that she would probably make only £20 or less (time will tell, subject to how many register), she could not find the time or energy to do the necessary paperwork, thus depriving the author of his PLR.

PLR is an author's right. Editors and translators are not eligible. Nor are publishers. Nevertheless, some of them, led by Peter Owen, think they should receive a share. Most have ceased to protest because they realize that the sums involved will be, by their standards, small. To authors with, say, a dozen books being borrowed from libraries an annual payment of £1,000 could make it possible for them to struggle through another book, and it might – just – do a le Carré or a Fowles.

E. J. Craddock

Dance

Full face

Rennes Dance Theatre
Northcott, Exeter

At one point in *Mini Zig-Zag,* the longest and funniest of the ballets given on the English tour of his Rennes Dance Theatre, Gigi Caciuleanu interviews himself. Sitting on one chair, he asks "What is the role of the face in your choreography?", then jumps to the facing seat, ties himself in knots with his head hidden somewhere among entwining limbs, and emerges only after what seem several minutes to mutter "Big . . . Very big".

Funny, yes: and true. There are ten dancers; every one of them has a face on which expressions play even during the passages of straight dancing, adding another level of audience pleasure. They look so fresh, it could almost be improvised.

There is even a pretence (at least, I think it must be pretence) of inventing one sequence on the spot, with solos for everyone. In its frivolous way, that probably gives an audience more idea of the structure and creation of choreography than other, serious attempts at exposition have done.

Even Caciuleanu's solo *Mess Around,* to two jazz numbers, which he must have danced many hundreds of times, still looks newly made, with its loose-limbed virtuosity and unexpected reversals to add comedy. His *Conversation* with Claudine Orvain (to a Rossini overture) is well named: without a word, their movements are a constant exchange of thoughts and attitudes, but all in dance, not mime.

Would the comic pieces look better if one heavier work were included for contrast? Maybe, but the audience at Exeter could hardly have cheered louder, nor applauded longer for an encore. They got it – a generous one, too. The company, from Brittany, is in Britain by invitation of South West Arts and appearing only in their region. Another time, wider audiences (including London) deserve to be shown that modern dancing does not have to be solemn in order to be original.

Last week, a mishearing on the telephone from Manchester had the knave stealing cards in my account of *Alice in Wonderland.* Of course they were tarts.

John Percival

Opera

Choral peaks of musical drama

Idomeneo
Glyndebourne

A single cast change gave a welcome opportunity to encounter the first production of this Glyndebourne season and the first opera directed by Trevor Nunn: for two performances it is (and will be when the BBC records the performance for television) Yvonne Kenny who confronts us, pale, still and anguished, as Ilia at the start of the opera. Like all Nunn's characters, she infuses power and depth of feeling into the simplest of gestures – the head tipped back in soundless pain, the anxious glance, the hand reassuringly grasped.

The much-discussed Japanese settings and costumes simply provide outlines within which this tautness of movement can be made more potent. Kenny sings with warmth and flexibility, capturing something of Ilia's surface insecurity as well as her inner peace: her rhapsodic aria "Zeffiretti lusingieri" is moulded with responsive ease, and her moment of decision – the arms stretched back as she offers herself in sacrifice – is one of a number of unforgettable stage pictures.

If these brilliantly conceived moments – the evaporation of the storm, the looming shadow of the sea monster – do not quite sustain the evening, the blame cannot be put upon Bernard Haitink, who conducts a brooding, compelling account of this rich score. It is simply a mistake to choose a tenor for Idamante. The edition has tried to be faithful to Mozart by retaining associated changes he made for the Munich version of 1786, but has then hit difficulties at the start of Act II with the aria "Non temer" written for the tenor Idamante. A note tells us that experiment during rehearsals led to its being placed later in the act, but really there is only one place for this concert aria with its violin obbligato, and that is anywhere out of the opera.

So the highlights of a musically outstanding evening remain Philip Langridge's powerful Idomeneo, Carol Vaness's tense, violent Electra and the sensationally good chorus, who, huddled together in Nunn's static tableaux, make "Placido e il mar" and "Corriamo, fuggiamo" into true peaks of eighteenth-century musical drama.

Nicholas Kenyon

Concerts

Nash Ensemble
Assembly Rooms, Bath

The Bath Festival this year is its usual self: a packed programme of the finest classics freely sprinkled with the new and the odd. Saturday evening's chamber concert by the Nash Ensemble held the fortnight in microcosm, offering as it did some of the gentler pleasures of Mozart, Fauré and Schubert, including the first's D major Flute Quartet, K285, played with a perfect, plain grace by Judith Pearce, as context for the first performance of a commissioned piece by Giles Swayne, *A Song for Hadi.*

Now in his mid-thirties, Swayne achieved a breakthrough four years ago with his *Cry* for 28 amplified voices, a large fresco discovering simple but completely fresh images. It was one of those rare works that have about them the strength of inevitability. For the composer, however, it seems to have presented problems of continuation, and since writing it he has produced only a short cello piece before the present sextet, also quite unambitious.

There are no mysteries, either, in the title. Hadi is not, as I had suspected, a Hindu deity but rather a friend of the composer, and the song is just that: a little span of melody that is built up, toyed with and then very slowly relinquished.

The music starts out from a dark chord in three low string instruments, viola, cello and double bass, answered by luminous ventures towards the tune from flute and clarinet. None of these instruments, however, turns out to be central. That role is taken by a set of drums, which quickly establish a rhythmic ostinato that persists pretty well throughout: the part was tailor-made for the cheerful virtuosity of Gary Kettel, and his colleagues also contributed much to a neat première of a happy little piece.

Paul Griffiths

Brahms Marathon
Festival Hall

A marathon carries connotations of strain and endurance which were not wholly applicable to this stimulating if flawed event. For a good six hours on Saturday a group of leading artists played Brahms's chamber music "informally" – which meant mufti for the performers and an announcer in place of proper programmes.

The flaw lay not in the performances but in the planning, for it failed to take into account that each of Brahms's major chamber works so drains the emotions that it is seldom possible to listen to more than one at a single sitting. To have a piano trio, a violin sonata and the Clarinet Quintet in the first session was exhausting enough, but the F major Cello Sonata, the *Vier ernste Gesänge* (sung by John Shirley-Quirk), the F minor Viola Sonata and the Piano Quintet in the second was simply too much.

Admittedly we could get up and go, but that was hardly the point of the exercise; and in any case the changes to the published running order made it difficult to go far without the risk of missing a chosen work.

What was needed was a little more variety of mood. Brahms was by no means always serious, and for my money we could have heard more from the vivacious Labèque sisters, who lightened things considerably with some Hungarian Dances. Perhaps, too, Sheila Armstrong, who sang delightfully in the first session, could have sung another group of Brahms's happier pieces.

In giving the marathon a broader range some large-scale works would clearly have had to be sacrificed, though I would not have wanted to lose the F major Cello Sonata played by Yo Yo Ma and Peter Frankl, a warm and passionate reading matched by the Chilingirian Quartet's performance, with Antony Pay, of the Clarinet Quintet.

Geoffrey Norris

Theatre

The Dining Room
Greenwich

A.R.Gurney is a quiet voice on the clamorous American stage, but he has finally made himself heard from New York to the West Coast with this exquisite comic elegy to the Boston brahmins.

The title identifies its hero, presented by Bernard Culshaw as a family shrine with lyre-backed chairs reverently surrounding the gleaming dining table on a wood-block floor. As successive generations pass through, all intent on their transient affairs, it figures variously as a background to ordinary life, an object for sale and a museum piece; but, lament or no lament, there is a strong feeling that this robust monument to Wasp values is going to outlive them all.

The only comparable play I know is Thornton Wilder's *The Long Christmas Dinner;* but Gurney vastly improves on that model by resisting pathos and ignoring chronology. His business is with the erosion of manners, and he begins in the present by contrasting the brisk visit by a no-nonsense house-buyer with the leisurely breakfast of a Roosevelt-era father to whom the morning ceremony of newspaper and coffee is more important than getting his son to school on time.

Gurney has a wonderful ear for the evasive nuances of authoritarian speech: particularly for pre-war parents coaxing their children before exploding into defeated commands, or employers putting in long-suffering requests to the kitchen staff ("Sometimes I think it is almost better if we do things ourselves").

Throughout the sequence of overlapping scenes, with actors switching from childhood to old age, and the table sharing stately crystal and silver with a typewriter, there is no saying precisely where the author's sympathies lie.

Sometimes they reverse inside a single scene, as where a hard-selling architect and his analyst client swop the power relationship halfway through, with the architect confessing his atavistic hatred of rooms such as this. Otherwise the absurdity of a traditional father stalking out to do battle, on behalf of a relative who has been insulted in the club's steam room, is evenly matched by the sight of a high-school boy photographing his aunt's Waterford glass and fingerbowls to illustrate an anthropology project on the eating habits of vanishing cultures. What the play does, in short, is connect the world of Edith Wharton to that of Updike and John Cheever.

Alan Strachan's production sets decisively contrasted tempos for the unbroken flow of breakfasts, Thankgiving dinners, and birthday parties; and secures performances from Robin Bowerman, Christopher Godwin and Alison Skilbeck that hold comedy in perfect balance with the social integrity of the writing.


Christopher Godwin: comedy held in perfect balance

Irving Wardle

Television

Singing thoughts

Bernard Levin was back on BBC2 on Saturday night with the first of eight Levin Interviews. Mr Levin's qualities as an interviewer include his ability to attract substantial subjects and his willingness to let them finish their sentences, a technique uncommon enough to be almost revolutionary.

But, if I were seized in a hammerlock and compelled to utter a criticism of Mr Levin, I think I would concede that, when his admiration for a subject is unbounded, he lets it show too early, thereby denying us the chance to let our own affections flow freely rather than at someone else's behest.

If he persists in this then it would seem only fair, should he get someone he is not so keen on, that he tell us so at the beginning.

This inhibition to my total appreciation exposed, it is only fair again for me to say that his interview with Isaac Stern seemed short at the length and that his esteem for Mr Stern, who charmingly refers to himself on occasion as "a fiddler", was entirely justified by the event. It was also, obviously, returned.


Stern: happy man

Mr Stern is a happy man, a virtuoso for 51 years. He made his debut in New York in 1932 at the age of 16. The reviewers did not go wild – one damned him with the label "promising" – but he returned the following year to rave reviews. They have been a part of his life ever since. His ambition is not to be content.

He is a generous helper of musical talent and the possessor of boundless energy, which is fortunate, for his favourite working time is between 11 pm and 3 am. He sees every performance as an event, an adventure, and attributes the revelatory experience his audiences more often than not find in his work to his habit of never doing anything that is merely comfortable: what he tried to do is to take risks, "to create musically".

He finds sustenance in an arduous career in the affection of friends – "some of my best friends have been my managers" – and is not only happy but modest.

He demurred at Mr Levin's suggestion that his intellect was always in play during his performances because he did not think the word "intellect" correct. It was more, he said, "concentrated tension": "It has to sound as though you invented it at the moment. You have to be able to think in a singing way. Once in a while there comes a vision and you can forget to think – you just feel".

He had no particular preferences in music; to him it was "the whole palette". He had to be taken by music and quoted an Englishman who said about creativity that talent was what a man possesses; genius what possesses a man.

Next week it is the turn of an industrial virtuoso, Sir Michael Edwardes. I look forward to drawing my own conclusions.

Dennis Hackett

Rock

Distracting answers

David Bowie
Wembley Arena

Somebody said that one should never trust a man who starts the working day with his shirt-collar button undone and his tie loosened. David Bowie took the stage in London last week, for the first time in five years, with his bow-tie already hanging loose. Possibly he does not know how to knot a proper bow-tie: at any rate, it seemed an appropriate symbol for the father of modern pop poseology, the man who turned attitude into art and taught Brecht to boogie.

You could tell from the full cut of his trousers that he had been away. No one who was in Britain a couple of years ago, when Blue Rondo à la Turk and their pals were discrediting the zoot-suit as a hot fashion item, would have turned up in the baggy yellow affair with which he began this concert, or the pale green braided example which succeeded it after the intermission. It seemed strange, too, that he should choose to dress up his 10 musicians in the Rag Week gear of the Bonzo Dog Doo Dah Band.

It seemed even stranger when they commenced the two-hour event by sounding exactly like Roy Wood's Wizzard, circa 1971: braying saxophones, tinny drums, toneless guitars, half-scrambled backing vocals. This was a Grade A mess, unfocused, unbalanced and completely lacking in the power necessary to surround and support Bowie's attractive but unmuscular voice.

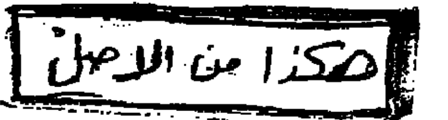
It was the sound of a thousand two-inch television speakers, and in the space of half an hour we thereby lost his accounts of "Heroes", "Golden Years", "Let's Dance", "Fashion" and others. Only "Life on Mars" survived this episode, thanks to its more varied dynamics and to Bowie's classy crooning against the chorus of the Simms brothers, Frank and George, who cleverly imitated the leader's own vocal timbre so as to reproduce the effect of studio overdubbing.

"Cat People" was the first to benefit from an improvement, achieving a raunchy rock and roll solidity in the guitars of Carlos Alomar and Earl Slick. Thereafter the first half grew increasing flashy and frantic, real *A Star is Reborn* stuff, depending as much on the batteries of swivelling spotlights, beaming berserk polka-dots around the hall in garish Fifties colours, as on anything issuing from the loudspeakers.

The interval was prefaced by a truly dreadful version of the Velvet Underground's "White Light, White Heat", a superfluous show-band saxophone arrangement adding a flabby belly to what was once a song of desperation.

The quality of Bowie's imagination and the importance of his influence cannot be doubted, but one of the problems of his concerts is that his songs are completed structures, not susceptible to spontaneous variation. Theatre is the answer, and the distraction: there were many dramatic tricks and stunts in the second half, some enjoyable. Judged purely on the projection of his presence, Bowie was deeply impressive: he is helped, of course, by his natural grace and by a face constructed for the spotlight. As rock and roll, it was less thrilling: little tension or sense of danger, and an almost overbearing cheerfulness from the central character. What one would expect, perhaps, from a man who is reportedly hand-fed portions of *sashimi* before he takes the stage.

Richard Wiliams

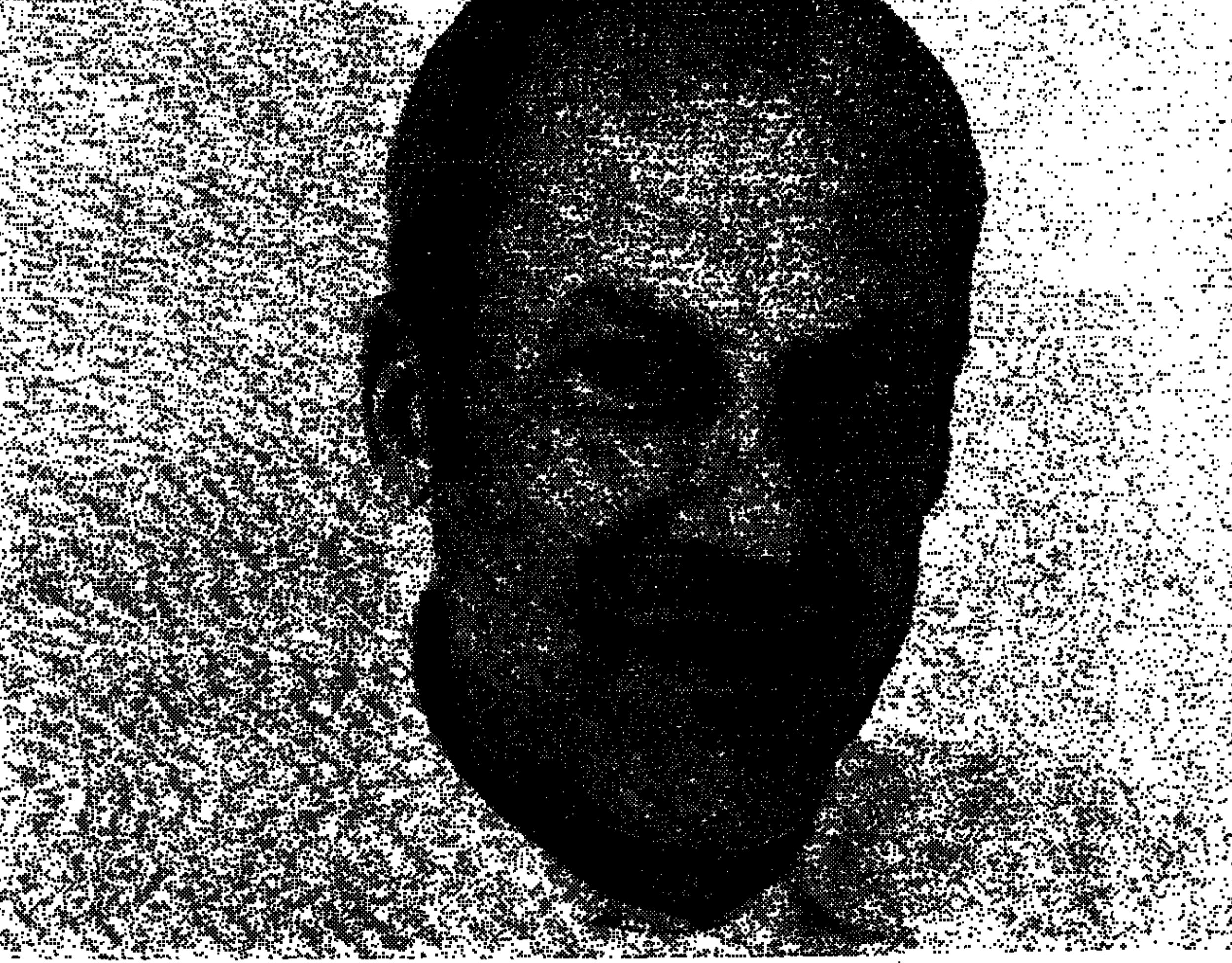


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Cool, clean and revelling in new technologies, the buildings of Norman Foster reflect the personality of an architect who this month receives his profession's highest accolade

English Modern

By Clive Aslet



Foster's hobbies are running and flying: objects are not allowed to pile up around him

We sat at a white table with legs like a space probe. The chairs were white, the walls were white. A pervasive hush somehow gave the impression of hidden technology smoothly at work.

This was the office of Norman Foster, winner of this year's Royal Institute of British Architects gold medal. Except for a number of architectural models, including one for a Renault warehouse near Swindon just returned from Renault's head office in Paris, the room was almost bare. There was nothing on the table except a sketchbook that Foster, who wore an open-necked shirt and a lemon-coloured Ralph Lauren sweater, had brought with him. On the wall was a photograph of the space module from which the aesthetic of the table, designed by Foster Associates, was in part derived.

He had not been able to meet me at his home, because it was being rebuilt. (Plans exhibited at the Heinz Gallery a little while ago show that it will be a conjuror's palace of sophisticated gadgetry, flexible to meet the expanding demands of new children or new electronics.) But when I had gone through the automatically opening doors into the office and braved the cool-looking receptionist, he said that this was also in a state of flux. He apologised for the mess. It was some time before I realised what he meant. Although I did see parts of a full scale mock-up of a section of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank piled discreetly in a corner, the usual rubbish of office life – piles of books, bulging trays, abandoned coffee cups – was conspicuous by its absence.

Foster's brand of High Tech – the style of which he and his former partner, Richard Rogers, are the two leading exponents in Britain – does not take kindly to clutter. In contrast to the spaghetti of exposed working parts that festoons Rogers's work, Foster's buildings are sleekly regular – coolly, even coldly Classic. There is an element of fun, as in the banks of escalators providing a spectacle of perpetuum mobile for the workforce at the heart of the Willis Faber headquarters, Ipswich; but the escalators lie inside a smooth wall of reflecting glass, slinking around the edges of the 2.4 acre site. Foster lists his hobbies as running and flying aircraft; objects are not allowed to pile up around him.

"No other architect", the RIBA citation pronounces, "has so effectively drawn the advanced modern technology of the aerospace and electronic worlds into architecture." The Sainsbury Centre in Norwich, a silver arts-hanger of such wizardry as to outshine the objects it contains, is clad in superplastic aluminium panels, a revolutionary material for the building trade. "One takes for granted the performance of certain things outside the building context. One does not expect one's car to leak – or if it does, it is a major event. But a lot of roofing materials do not come with any guarantee."

Yet Foster feels that the technology of his buildings has been overstressed: "Building are about people and for people." It is a truism, but one that he likes to emphasize. "We are concerned with what makes a building a good place to be. As well as all the technology, the Ipswich building has the natural qualities of sunlight coming down into the core, and roof gardens for the work force."

Will it be a more human, less twenty-first century Norman Foster who mounts the rostrum to receive the gold medal on June 21?

He takes satisfaction in working with small workshops – "almost the local blacksmith" – in many of the processes for his buildings. Surprisingly little of his industrial-style furniture is, in fact, ready made. The table at which we were sitting was a case in point, having been produced specially, although made by an industrial sub-contractor rather than a furniture maker.

"Through an understanding of the industrial process and the materials, we are able to harness industry almost on a cottage basis, with quite small production runs," he says. This is both better and cheaper than taking the off-the-peg product. "Most of the things which appear in catalogues only give the illusion of being ready made. In reality, when you order something, they then roll up their sleeves and make it for you. So if you say, 'I will have x thousand metres of your ceiling', they don't actually open the door, run into the cupboard and pull it out; they put in motion an industrial process.

"This explains why, for IBM's pilot head office at Cosham, we were able to produce a permanent building with a lot of prestige overtones on the cost you would associate with a ready-made, temporary one."

It is even possible to detect an Arts-and-Crafts note in the new Foster. "Around us are things that in a way are hand-crafted, although hand crafting is something usually associated with scrubbed-pine furniture and health food restaurants." The office has recently been holding "fruitful conversations" with John Makepeace, the traditional cabinet maker.

Foster is a fluent talker. And when he talks, he draws – "as long as I can remember I have always been drawing". To clients probably more familiar with the written word or the printed column of figures, it must be persuasive. These skills are vital in the 1980s: the phrase "back to the drawing board" is now obsolete and should be replaced with "back to the interview, the lunch or the meeting", because it is in these discussions that the design is conceived.

When I saw him, Foster had just returned from a weekend at an hotel in Arundel spent "brainstorming" with the heads of BBC radio to decide what kind of building was needed for the Langham site. Foster sees it as a semi-public, semi-private building, like the Galleria in Milan or, intriguingly, the Lancaster and Barton Arcades in Manchester, his home town.

Public relations are now such a major part of architecture that Foster regards the Fred Olsen Centre in the Port of London, built in the 1960s, as a key building in his career. "In that project we were not only involved with the upper echelons of management, but with local management, such as the docks manager, who subsequently has become a director of Olsen's but at that time was very much the manager who would settle some disputes literally with fisticuffs – I'm not suggesting that was an on-going style of management – and, vitally, with the unions."

He is proud that, when the building opened, it was the union representative who defended the use of one-way mirrors, feared by some as a management tool for spying, on the grounds that it saved heat and did away with the need for curtains, allowing workers unimpaired views through the windows.

At 47, in terms of the architectural profession, with its long training and few prestige commissions, Foster is young. Last year the gold medal went to the long-retired Berthold Lubetkin, aged 81. Foster's early success is all the more remarkable since he did not enter an architect's office until he was 20, which was "rather late in the day".

On leaving school after O levels, he went into the City Treasurer's department of Manchester Council. Then came National Service. "I did electronics in the Air Force. I came into an architect's office on the contract management side, by virtue of my accounting and financial background of sorts." There it dawned on him that he could be an architect – an aspiration that had seemed beyond reach. "So I decided to confront the guy who ran the practice and say, 'Look, it is my intention, if I can do it, to study architecture'. He said: 'How the hell can you get into a school of architecture if you left school at 16 and haven't got any work to show?' I said I had been doing work in the evenings. I brought it in, and there and then he gave me a house to design."

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He worked his way through Manchester University (having left school early, he could not get a grant) by winning prizes and doing architectural perspectives. "I was brought up in an architectural school with a very strong emphasis on things like the historical orders and measured drawing – those kinds of technical skills. It was the tail-end of that.

"By the same token I think it was at the tail-end of a tradition of architect-planners, where much more recently architects and planners have been trained separately. A lot of planners think overly in two dimensions and think overly in political terms, rather than just of the wider scale end, as it were, of an architectural process."

After Manchester, Foster won a Henry scholarship to Yale, where he met Rogers. He spent several years in the United States working as a city and university planner, and on his return to England collaborated for a time with the American futurist guru, Buckminster Fuller.

Can the influence of Manchester still be seen on his work? Foster is notoriously meticulous about detailing, supposedly choosing every last screwhead in his buildings himself. Planning is also something he stresses.

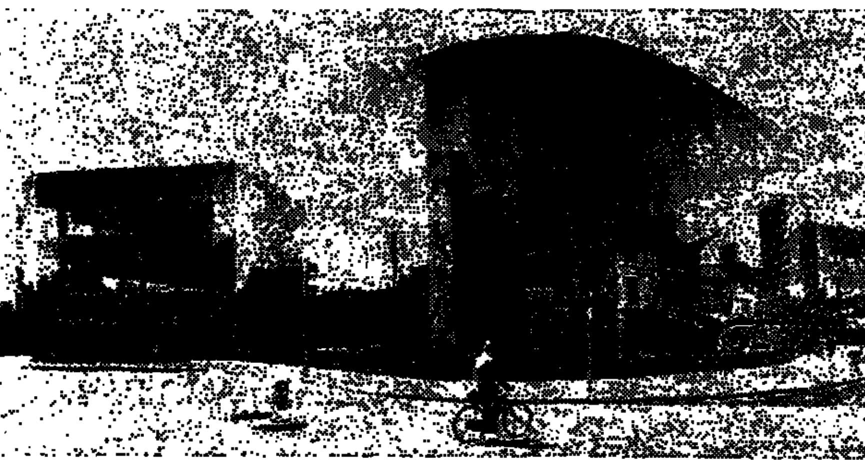
"The site is a prime generator of the building. For Willis Faber, the decision to do a low building, which would follow and hug and recreate that kind of random street pattern of a medieval market town rather than impose on it a kind of alien so-called 'modern' geometry of right angles, that very organic response to that street pattern, takes stock of the typical spaces of a market town in a northern latitude. It's not a piazza. A lot of attempts to create piazzas in England have been doomed, because there are already enough open wind-swept spaces."

Without prompting, Foster volunteers an article of faith: "I suppose we regard the fix of time and cost as something really quite sacred. For 20-odd years we have been rigidly under budget, under time."

How confident is he about the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank headquarters in Hongkong labelled, misleadingly, the Most Expensive Office Block in the World by *The Sunday Times* and others? Press reports say it could massively exceed the estimate, reaching what has been projected as a final cost of £600m.

Foster laughs this away as "misinformation". Receiving the high-prestige American Reynolds Award twice or, as a foreigner, winning the competition to build a national athletics stadium in Germany seem events that might have been reported more widely, but were not. Bad news is news. On Hongkong: "At this stage it is a minimal percentage over. There is still between 20 and 30 per cent of that contract to be sublet. The essence of cost planning is not that you are going to get every element spot on target, but that some are going to be under and some are going to be over. At the end of the day – ideally – the books balance." One thing is certain: with its stepped-back profile and hanging gardens, the building has already baffled architectural critics, who have referred to Babylonian and Gothic, early Chinese and Expressionist styles in their attempts to decode it.

His next projects include a low-energy house developed with Buckminister Fuller and a "low-profile" building, "more than normally discreet", for London's proposed Third Airport at Stanstead. All Foster's media skills will be needed *for that* one.



Two-way mirror: the Willis Faber building by day and night

TOMORROW

Prince Rainier talks about the future for himself, for his family and for Monaco

Nightmares of a Denham movie brat

At 33, producer Jeremy Thomas is something of a phenomenon. Over the past seven years he has produced six movies, including Jerzy Skolimowski's *The Shout*, which won the Best Film Award at Cannes in 1977. This year he is responsible for two films: *Eureka*, directed by Nicolas Roeg and starring Gene Hackman, and *Merry Christmas Mr Lawrence*, an extraordinary Anglo-Japanese project directed by Nagisa Oshima and starring David Bowie as a British prisoner of war. And he admits, with some amusement, "I haven't yet had a hit".

The confidence behind such a confession may have something to do with the fact that he is a movie child. His father (Ralph) and his uncle (Gerald) were both film directors in the heyday of the regular British film industry. He grew up "in Hollywood-in-England, Bucks, surrounded by film people, with Dirk Bogarde coming round for lunch and all that." He began his professional career at the film labs in Denham, working his way through the ranks to become a film editor and then, almost by accident, the producer of an Australian picture called *Mad Dog*, which was directed by a friend. "We somehow raised the money, though I was totally green. Dennis Hopper from *Easy Rider* had been cast. We went out to Tahos, New Mexico, to meet him and this character came to the airport in a jeep with the stetson hat, and shark's teeth round his neck, and there, reincarnated, was my childhood hero. But the picture was a nightmare to make."

The word "chaos" features frequently in Jeremy Thomas's conversation, and the walls of his tiny office in Soho testify to the more bizarre moments of his career. Pinned up are several snaps of the Sex Pistols – the legacy of three years work nurturing the film which eventually came out as *The Great Rock 'n' Roll Swindle* in 1980. "I was offered it partly because no one else would take it on, in 1978, when it was all happening." Film school student Julien Temple had shot some footage; then Russ Meyer, humourist and American porn director, came in on the project. The group's manager and svengali, Malcolm McLaren, was heavily involved. So, at one stage, was theatre and film impresario Michael White. "It was this and then that. Headlines in the papers. Chaos. Largely due to the anarchy prevailing at the time."



Thomas: success without a hit

Thomas's Japanese project, based on a novel by Laurens Van der Post and to be seen in August, was financed – like most of his films so far – from independent sources. In this case that means a group of Japanese investors, including the film's director, a British bank, and a New Zealand tax shelter deal. Their contributions add up to $5m, which is what the movie cost to shoot on location in the Cook Islands, in the South Pacific.

Thomas acknowledges that this sort of project sets him apart from his peers. "They probably don't understand why I make films like this, because they are more difficult to do. But they're all visibly well-crafted, films of quality and long life, mounted for a good price. So I think I'll go on being able to make films even without an out-and-out hit."

Merry Christmas Mr Lawrence falls within an area that Thomas now recognises as his own: "Bringing together very varied cultural influences." Thomas and Oshima are already planning another film, set in Paris this time. Meanwhile he and Roeg are to make a film from Terry Johnson's Royal Court play, *Insignificance*, and Thomas is going to produce a project based on Colin MacInnes' story of teenage and adulthood in the 1950s, *Absolute Beginners*, to be directed by Julien Temple.

Before he slipped into editing, and then across into producing, Thomas had intended to be a director, following in the family path. But, he says, "you need a tremendous amount of bravery. Directing is not only a question of technique. It's something else." But will he take the plunge? "I'm trying."

And what does he feel about the producer's role? "I enjoy it. Even if I direct, I want to continue producing. I can't really understand producers putting themselves up as heroes, though. Film is either a group thing, a family thing. Or it's a director's film. It is not, as such, a producer's medium."

Chris Auty

1953 and all that: the stars remember

MOREOVER... Miles Kington



Did you know that Mrs Thatcher called an election *on the day after* the *Radio Times* with all the Coronation nostalgia details had gone to press, thus ensuring a true blue run-up to election day? This and many other fascinating facts are available in our new Moreover booklet, *Good Heavens, Is It Thirty Years Ago Already?*

Meanwhile, several really famous celebrities have agreed to tell us what they remember of that day, 30 years ago, when the then Princess Elizabeth went to the Abbey as plain Mrs Edinburgh and came back Queen of England. Yes, they really had job opportunity in those days...

Sir Richard Attenborough. Just one little person, and so many thousands and millions of people watching. I remember thinking, what a wonderful symbol for the country. Then I remember thinking, what a great setting for a movie. Not the Queen, perhaps, but – Gandhi! I was so excited I rushed home and phoned the Indian government to ask for financial help. They told me that they thought it was a good idea, and thanked me. Don't thank me, I said – thank all the people who helped to inspire this idea: the Queen, Winston Churchill, Prince Philip... I think that impressed them. But it took another 30 years...

Clive James. I was only 13 at the time, though already bald, and was employed as TV critic of the *Wangadonga Gazette*. The trouble was, nobody in Wangadonga had a TV set, but I've never let a little thing like that hold me back, I lay back on my bed listening to the whole thing on short wave radio, mixed in with interference from Radio Moscow, and wrote an account of it as if I'd been there. The next day I was sacked for describing the ceremony as a neo-imperialist sham and an outmoded pantomime. I didn't know what the words meant; I'd just taken them down in good faith thinking it was Richard Dimbleby speaking, but of course it was Radio Moscow. The whole thing taught me a big lesson, though now I can't remember what it was.

Sir Roger Bannister. A great day for me, as it was also the day I broke four minutes for the mile. I remember at the end of the first lap being handed a note which read: "We have climbed Everest!" This inspired me to run a very fast second lap, after which I was handed a note reading: "Bad news, I'm afraid, Roger, England have been thrashed 9-1 by Hungary at Wembley. Everything depends on you." Reading this depressing message slowed me down slightly, so my heart sank when I was handed a note at the final bell. It said simply: "What are all these notes you are getting? If they're from the Adidas people, be very careful. Your trainer. PS – go like the clappers." The rest is history, or it damn well ought to be.

Sir John Hunt It was very cold. Whenever I moved my toes, they crackled. My eyes hurt. It was hard to breathe, and the air was so cold. I experimented for a while with setting my moustache alight, but it didn't seem to help. Then the news came through on the radio, from London. It was raining there. That cheered us up slightly.

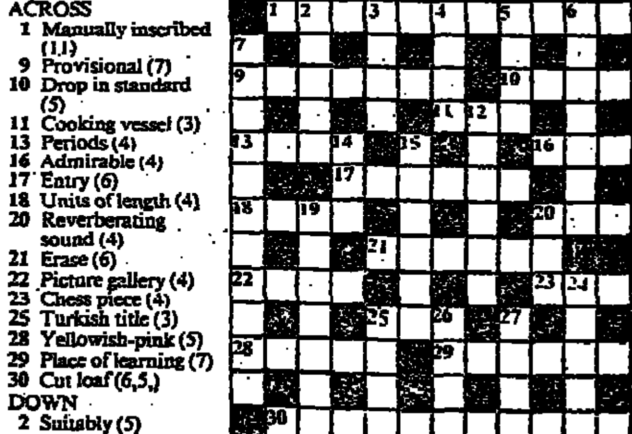
Michael Foot One thing we must never forget, and I think this is one thing we must never forget, is that as far back as 1953 the Labour Party was already committed to a total support of the National Health, er, Service, and I remember saying at the time to the Shadow Cabinet, as it then was, I remember saying this, and this is something I think we must never lose sight of, that...

Russell Harty. I was sitting in the front room, I remember that. My mother was in the kitchen, listening to the radio. Suddenly she came through and said, very simply: "President Kennedy has been shot." Well, I found this very odd, as the President was called Eisenhower. So I asked her exactly what she meant and she said: "Oh, sorry. I mean, do you want to watch the Coronation on telly?" I'll always remember that. Very weird.

Lord Lichfield and the Mothers of the Most Beautiful Women in the World. What a party. It was a great party. One of the most fantastic parties I have ever been to. It started at four o'clock and was still going on at quarter to six, almost two hours later. We had Bovril sandwiches, I remember, and jelly and peanut butter and crisps. We had a conjuror and we all threw jelly at him. It was fantastic.

The Queen. Everyone else had the day off, but I had to go to work as usual.

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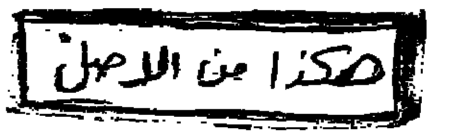
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PROFILE: Dame Ninette de Valois

Why Madam is a winner on points

"I must warn you, I'm useless to interview. I'm horribly discreet." To kick off with such a revealing remark was an encouragement. For Dame Ninette de Valois meant to indicate that she would not be drawn into talking about people, either to praise or to blame; that she abhors the fashion for revelatory biography which spotlights all the blemishes one has striven hard to conceal; that she detests gossip and disloyalty.

But she said more than she meant to say; it is typical of her to assume that I should hardly want to talk about *herself*. Modesty of this order is rare indeed, and at first sight astonishing in a woman who has helped shape the cultural history of England in the twentieth century. Yet it is in keeping with her character; all her achievements have been for the Royal Ballet, not for herself. She has been ruthless (and wise) in her pursuit of glory and excellence for her dancers, totally indifferent to whether she should receive the credit for having done so. Ninette de Valois has pride; she has no vanity.

When the Bolshoi Ballet were on a visit to London, they were perplexed to see Dame Ninette in the self-service canteen beneath the Opera House lining up with her tray behind at least twenty others, including grubby stage-hands and sweaty cygnets. Maris Liepa, one of the few who spoke English, voiced their bewilderment. "Why is she queueing?"

"Because she wants some shepherd's pie." The answer did not satisfy. The Russians, who are used to having one eating place for principal dancers, another for *corps de ballet*, another for workmen, thought that their supposed classlessness was being gently satirized by this odd demonstration. They simply could not understand that the founder and creator of the Royal Ballet should receive no special treatment, still less that she should not want it.

Nevertheless, people do subtly adapt their behaviour in her presence, in acknowledgement of her authority. It was during the war that one of her young dancers, Gordon Hamilton, began the habit of addressing her as "Madam", and it is significant that the habit spread and persisted. Now, no one would dream of calling her anything else, and it is unthinkable that anyone

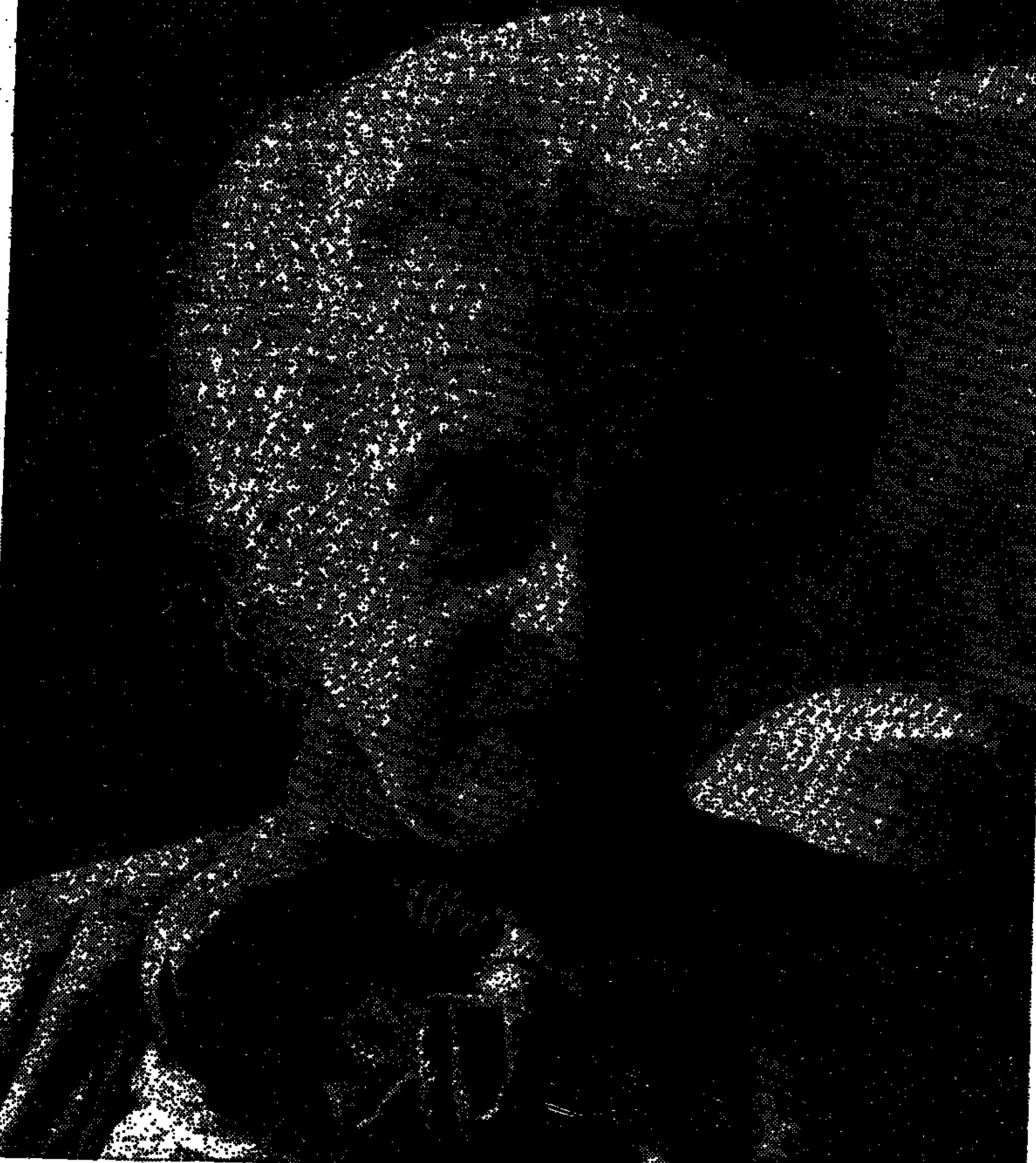
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In the ballet world, where "darling" is an ordinary term, Madam stands firm as a figure of propriety and decorum. She is emphatically not theatrical, flamboyant, or wild. The most colourful word she might use is "swindle", and generations of dancers given to looser language have lowered their voices and sweetened their tongues at her approach. Her moral influence, no less than her cultural achievements, has been enormous.

This is not to say that Madam is austere. She has a beguiling sense of fun and enjoys a giggle, throwing her head back to savour the humour. She is an easy, relaxing conversationalist, except when a point of principle is at stake, when she will present arguments cogently and forcefully, hugging the last word. When I suggested that audiences at Covent Garden sometimes dressed shabbily, she was quick to put me right. "Before the war, audiences in England were always overdressed. There was consternation when Thomas Beecham dared to appear in shirt-sleeves at a *rehearsal!* But in the great opera houses of Europe it was never the fashion to dress up. After all, a state theatre should belong to the people, shouldn't it?"

Tradition is the deepest value which Madam cherishes, fittingly for someone who has invented a tradition in English dancing. She is herself the product of several traditions. Born in County Wicklow, Ireland, 85 years ago, in a well-to-do Anglo-Irish family teetering on the edge of impoverishment, she inherited a Victorian sense of discipline tempered by gentle Irish whimsy. There is also some Scottish thrift in her blood (her great-grandmother wrote the famous *Memoirs of a Highland Lady)*, and some French aristocratic bearing. She is descended from both the Montmorencys and a branch of the de Valois family, from whom she took her professional name. Her real name is Edris Stannis, 'Edris' being taken from a character in Marie Corelli's novel *Ardath* – "Edris is not so much sweet woman as most perfect angel! A dream of Heaven made human!"

As a girl, she began her professional career in the bosom of another tradition, that of the music hall (she appeared with George Robey), and performed "fancy dancing" on the end of Brighton Pier. When she graduated to ballet, she was taught in the oldest school, the French, then took lessons from Cecchiti, the great Italian teacher, and joined Diaghilev's company for two years, absorbing the Russian influence. No wonder, then, with so many traditional echoes informing her intellingence, she should be an establisher rather than an innovator.


Nobby Clark

It was an accident of medical history which compelled Ninette de Valois to give up dancing at the age of 25. Having suffered persistent pain in her left side, which she had attributed to be normal agonies of a dancer's life (audiences would be surprised if they knew how much routine pain dancers tolerate every day), she at length discovered that she had been stricken for years with polio. "I wasn't sorry to give up; it hurt too much." A lesser woman would have disappeared from the records, but her brave spirit could not envisage inactivity. There was at that time no balletic tradition in England. Bold and stubborn, she determined to start one, drawing on her deep conviction that the time was right. In 1931 she founded her Academy of Choreographic Art with just six students (this eventually grew into the Royal Ballet School, now one of the finest in the world and the cradle of an immediately identifiable English style), and in the same year, her little group of dancers. Of necessity, she became a choreographer, creating 17 of the company's first 22 ballets, and an administrator with guts and genius in equal measure. She persuaded Lilian Baylis to give her a theatre (Sadler's Wells), she enticed Frederick Ashton away from the other fledgling group founded by Marie Rambert, and she signed on as musical director the marvellous Constant Lambert. From such tiny beginnings grew the Royal Ballet, which has since given the world scores of brilliant dancers, and half a dozen of international and historic status.

In retrospect, Madam cherishes the greatest moment in 1946, when the company gave its first performance at the Opera House, Covent Garden . "To open our own opera house after the war was very important. It meant we had a home." And not any old home, either, but the correct and fitting one. Sol Hurok, the American impresario, begged Madam to take her company to New York, where he had a small theatre ready for them. But she resisted. "I felt that we should not make the right impact in anything less than the Metropolitan Opera House, and we should do better to wait." An English ballet company in a Broadway theatre in 1947 would have aroused some interest; at the Met in 1949 it created a sensation, providing one of the most historic occasions in the theatrical history of New York.

How did Ninette de Valois do it? First of all, she has consistently been concerned with the future. "You cannot expect dancers to take the long view. They don't always know what is best for them." And she believes in the virtues of discipline. Generations of dancers have been terrified of displeasing her, an inhibition which makes for powerful concentration. Did she think she was a disciplinarian? "Well, so many people must have told you that I am, so there is no point in denying it, is there?" It shows in the way she creates her ballets, which are thoroughly worked out in her own mind before she takes them to the dancers, imposing her pattern on their talents. It shows also in her desire not to allow dancers to perform as often as they might wish. "Creative work suffers from too much trundling around, and our company was never at its best after a gruelling tour."

Her abhorrence of complacency leads her continually to question standards, never to be satisfied, always to exhort greater effort, a habit which some have found irritating and undermining.

Her energy shows no sign of abating. She still takes a great interest in the school and is delighted at their recent success with English country dances, which she has been recommending for years. She is frequently to be seen at the Opera House, which suggests to some colleagues that she is reluctant to lose control, a view which she would heartily contest. But it is true she does like to be consulted on all important decisions, and will not yield to other opinions without a fight. Deference is not grudgingly paid to a woman who might be harsh in debate, but who has proven so often to be fired by vision and sustained by experience. The paradoxical responses she evokes were summed up by one who said: "She is wilful, arbitrary, inspired".

Dame Ninette lives in a ground-floor flat opposite the river in Barnes, with her charming doctor husband, Arthur Connell, whom she married nearly 50 year ago, who is the only person in the world to call her Edris. The flat is full of sensible chairs with straight, hard backs and furniture by no means ostentatious. A handsome, plain Edwardian wall-clock ticks loudly. Madam is clearly not a boarder; hardly anything here gives away the identity of the inhabitants. nor is there anything superfluous; it is said she begrudges every penny, especially those spent on herself.

Until very recently the Connells lived in a little house along the road. But they had to leave it whenthe stairs became too much for Dame Ninette. I realized, with a shock, that she had been in pain eith arthritis throughout two hours we had been together, she wears a plastic collar covered by a scarf, which one tends not to notice. When I went to shake her hand, on departure, she withdrew it as if she had touched a hot iron. Yet she never once complained.

She shops in Barnes High Street ("complete strangers seem to know me. Isn't it amazing? That's what television does") and does her own cooking. Her greatest pleasure now is reading the classics, and her most useful piece of furniture the bookcase, stuffed with Shakespeare, Tolstoy, Trollope, George Eliot, Hardy, and her great favourite, Jane Austen. "There would be nothing worse than not being able to read", she says.

"You should read the classics once every five years, and discover them each time with a fresh eye. I recently returned to Milton. Marvellous!" She also enjoys writing, and had some of her poems read at the Shakespeare Institute in Stratford. Yet she has never kept a diary; that would be 'indiscreet'. One can see why Natalia Makarova once said: "If Madam were a man I would have married her. She makes me think".

Of course, Dame Ninette is such a public figure that celebrations of her achievements and stirling character are frequent. It is still something of an ordeal for her to appear on stage and receive adulation, for she is at heart a shy woman. "I have never felt comfortable taking a curtain call: Fred Ashton had to tell me not to hold the flowers upside down like an umbrella. I still try to remember that advice."

Brian Masters



THE TIMES DIARY

All in the family

The surfeit of Greenes at the Bodley Head is swelling to alarming proportions. Having just published a book of conversations with the novelist and announced a biography of the former BBC director-general, it now plans a history of the family brewery, Greene King. The founding father, Benjamin Greene, had four sons, of whom one became Governor of the Bank of England, the second ran the brewery and entered Parliament, while the third, something of a black sheep, sired 13 children before dying, presumably breathless, at the age of 19. It was the youngest son, described in the book as "a strange melancholy misfit," who became the ancestor of the literary dynasty that embraces Graham C. Greene, joint chairman of the Bodley Head's holding company, Sir Hugh, now president of the publishing house, and Graham, the company's best-selling author.

Ironside Lady

What *was* the most famous statement ever addressed to Parliament? I ask the question again since Clive Bradley, chief executive of the Publishers' Association, referred in this column to the second most famous, that by Milton on good books as the life blood of the master spirit. Bradley is particularly attached to that one as he is angered by the Government's "appalling" spending cuts for school and university book provision. I am open to suggestion, but I would say, with Bradley, that the most famous was made by Cromwell at the dismissal of the Rump Parliament in 1653: "Take away that fool's bauble, the mace." In that same speech Cromwell told the members: "You have sat too long here, for any good you have been doing," which is also a sentiment Bradley would seem to endorse *vis a vis* Margaret Thatcher.

● *I hear Central Office is warning Mrs Thatcher that she faces competition for publicity today: Shirley Maclaine is holding a press conference in Dallas to launch her book* Out on a Limb, *and is likely to be questioned closely about the identity of her Labour MP lover in the late 1970s.*

'Ello, 'ello

Another strong contender in my competition to spot the most unfulfillable election promise. MP Niekirk of High Wycombe has found a splendid one at the bottom of page 27 of the Labour manifesto – a pledge to repeal the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill. This is the first time a major party has considered repealing a non-existent law.

Swinging along

Reasonably enough, many are awaiting late developments before committing themselves to a figure in my competition to predict the national swing between Labour and Conservative at the general election. The generous prize is a whole case of Johnnie Walker's de luxe Swing whisky. The thickening files of entries show a surprisingly large number who, in defiance of all the opinion polls, predict a swing to Labour, and one or two who expect a swing to the Tories that would outdo the most volatile by-election results! Guesses, to three places of decimals and in writing please, to reach me by polling day at the latest.

Collar ado

It is high time to explain that the Denver Shoe is a misnomer for the nasty contraption now in London's streets. What we have here is the British-made Wheelok P, a two-shoe device which clamps either side of the wheel, and the Bulldog 11 T, a calliper model, for larger vehicles. We are using the Denver tag only because a similar clamp has been in use there since 1955. In view of the GLC's tireless campaign to introduce these instruments, I suggest a more fitting name would be the South Bank Shoe.

Movies? Moving

I never thought I would hear Ken Russell say these words: "Films are a dead medium. It is a false world and I am sick of it." The one-time *enfant terrible* of TV documentaries, back in Britain after a spell in South Carolina directing *Madama Butterfly* for the bemused organizers of a local arts festival, tells me he now leads a gypsy existence; he wanders the globe directing operas, a medium which is "fresh, exciting and invigorating". He assures me he is broke, but that he doesn't mind, and that it would take "an amazing offer" to lure him back to the studios. "In opera you don't get double crossed at the end by a Hollywood executive . . . they are not film makers, they are bankers."



At its Albert Hall jamboree last week the Women's Institute found itself debating a motion calling for legal controls on experiments with test tube fertilization. An amendment was proposed seeking to specify that it referred only to "human and part-human" embryos. When bewildered delegates asked what this could possibly mean, the platform explained that a new technique for testing male fertility involved the introduction of sperm to "a specially prepared hamster's ovum." The resulting hybrid can at present survive only long enough to bring hope to its father, but the ethical and theological implications are clearly profound.

PHS

Israel's war without end

On the first anniversary of the invasion of Lebanon, **Christopher Walker** explains why the Begin government has no cause to rejoice

Jerusalem

Today's emotive first anniversary of the invasion which launched Israel's longest and most controversial war will provide little cause for domestic celebration, especially for the Begin government which has watched in dismay as the continuing involvement in the Lebanese morass has helped erode its popularity.

The main opposition Labour party has been quick to capitalize on growing public dissatisfaction, without as yet being able to solve its internal problems in a way which would enable it to drive home the advantage at the polls.

Throughout last week, there were a series of bitter demonstrations against the war. One mother, part of an angry crowd of 2,500 from Parents Against Silence which attempted to rush the gates of the Knesset, explained: "We are not hysterical parents, defeatists or members of any political party. We are people who want to restore the army's good name. The war in Lebanon is not our war."

At the start of a 90-mile anti-war march which began symbolically at the Lebanese border, a retired Israeli lieutenant-colonel compared the Israeli forces with Napoleon's army in Russia. Most of the younger generation marching to a mass rally in Tel Aviv preferred the analogy of America's fate in Vietnam.

The number of Israelis jailed for refusing to do reserve duty in Lebanon has risen to 59. In addition, more than 1,000 reservists – including many officers – have returned their Lebanon campaign ribbons to the Defence Ministry.

The protest inside the army has infuriated right-wing supporters of the government, who have been pressing for legislation to stiffen the measures against the soldiers involved – some from the toughest of the forward combat units. One sergeant has already been demoted and jailed for refusing his ribbon.

The more hawkish ministers are now anxious that the wave of dissent may be exploited by the Syrians and influence future strategic calculations in Damascus. Possibly for this reason, a crackdown against the protesters has begun with 50 members of the Committee Against the War in Lebanon soon to face trial for their part in demonstrations.

Committee leaders have accused the government of launching a "legal offensive" against them. Other demonstrators who have been manning a round-the-clock display of the latest Israeli death toll outside the Prime Minister's residence have complained of having their identity cards recorded and their numbers restricted.

There will be few anniversary toasts among the 30,000 Israeli troops still bogged down inside Lebanon as part of an operation originally expected to last only 72 hours and to extend no further than 25 miles north of the Israeli border. They face little chance of an early return home and an increasing prospect of being ambushed. Last month alone, Israeli troops in Lebanon were attacked 60 times.

Scarcely a day passes without the military command updating casualty figures. These have included an unusually large proportion of soldiers suffering from mental disorders because of the nature of the war and lack of support for its aims.

At the last count, 494 Israelis had been killed since the invasion, 149 of them since the initial fighting died down last August. A further 2,760 have been wounded, 375 of those since September 1, figures which include those lost in the explosion which destroyed the Tyre military headquarters and other accidents.

Yitzhak Rabin, the former Labour prime minister, has coined the Yiddish word *plonter* (roughly translated as "Gordian Knot") to describe Israel's unhappy position in Lebanon. There is no more telling reminder of it than to go on one of the few, heavily-guarded trips which the army arranges for journalists to front-line positions. Some of these are so close to the Syrians that Israeli soldiers occasionally serenade the enemy with strangulated versions of Arabic pop songs.

There is little sign of the brave face which ministers still put on the continuing presence in Lebanon. Reporters must wear flak jackets, travel in four-door cars, each carrying two armed soldiers, and on no account stop for food or drink.

To minimize the risk of ambushes, the army has designed a new troop-carrier in which soldiers travel back to back, with open flaps all round. These menacing vehicles bristling with cocked automatic weapons are gradually replacing the troop-carrying buses.

General Sharon claimed last week that he had always envisaged a partial pullback of troops to a more manageable line after the winter. Although such a move out of the perilous Shouf Mountains would virtually partition Lebanon, it is being pressed for vigorously by many senior officers. Most I met in Lebanon expected it within a matter of weeks.

Overshadowing any such retreat to a 28-mile line parallel with the Al-Awali river is the threat of a new war with Syria. Such a conflict was hovering inexorably in the wings during the recent signing of the Israel-Lebanon pact, just as the prospect of a new war in Lebanon haunted the final Israeli pull-out from Sinai in April 1982.

Neither the war-weary Israeli public nor the politically vulnerable Begin coalition appears anxious for such a conflict, but among both there is an assessment that given present circumstances in Lebanon, combined with the stubborn attitude of the Soviet-backed Syrian regime, it may soon become inevitable. A senior Defence Ministry official explained: "Israel does not want confrontation but we can offer no guarantee that limited clashes will remain limited. In fact, we can guarantee the opposite."

If only Paisley and Co were gentlemen



The new film *Ascendancy* is set in Belfast in 1920 just before the elections for the first Northern Ireland parliament. Two years later came the first British general election in which Ulster was represented by fewer MPs than before. Next week, as a result of the machinations towards the end of the Callaghan government, 17 rather than 12 Northern Irish Members will be elected.

In the film the shipyard owner Wintour interviews a servant girl for a job. Does she object to attending prayers every morning? The question is in code. She gives the right answer. No, she does not mind: "I'm Protestant." He adds that he would not mind himself, "If it wasn't for the other servants." On another occasion he dismisses Catholic workers from his yard – as indeed happened at the time – saying that the other workers would not work alongside men they did not trust. Wintour is not portrayed entirely unsympathetically. He despises "sectarian" feeling. He "doesn't care about religion," according to his daughter; "he's only interested in making money". When he dresses in his sash to take part in an Orange parade he does so consciously for form's sake. After a killing he laments, "I never dreamt that all that ignorance and brutality would turn out to have a mind of its own."

Ascendancy is an interesting rather than a good movie. In this respect it touches an important truth. It is a truth about Ulster which is more real than ever, which looms in the background of the election there, and which the English have never really understood. Dramatic and frightful things have happened in the province over the last 15 years. One development has been little commented on. The affairs of Ulster are usually presented simply in terms of the sectarian divide, the "national question", green and orange. As the received idea goes, the politics of class do not play the part there that they do in Britain. But Unionist politics had and have a class aspect which has recently changed in a most important though little-noticed way, a change which is a consequence of the troubles and a complication of them. The upper classes who used to lead the Unionist cause have left it. Orange politics have been proletarianized.

At the time of partition the leadership of the newly "devolved" province was taken up by Protestant landowners and merchants. Wintour is a fair example: he joins the new Northern Ireland parliament – for which the vast and unlovely face of Stormont had not yet been built – out of a sense of noblesse oblige. The austere Dublin lawyer Carson was followed as Ulster's leader by a succession of military gentlemen. They expressed the national sentiment of Orange Ulster, and also moderated it. The line ran out with Terence O'Neill and James Chichester-Clark (as they then were; both Eton and Irish Guards) who could no longer control Northern Ireland, not just the violence on the Catholic side but the Protestant also. That fact was tacitly recognized with the proroguing of Stormont in 1972. Brian Faulkner came and went, the great Protestant strike put paid to a first attempt at power sharing.

The old Unionist party began to break up. Its traditional leaders departed, some to form the well-intentioned, non-sectarian Alliance party, some quitting politics for good and no doubt gratefully. The lightning conductor had gone and the Protestant masses found new leaders, their own kind.

It is hard to exaggerate the importance of this development for Ulster. The old Unionist leaders disliked Irish nationalism and wanted to keep the link with England. But like Wintour they kept up the rhetoric of Ulster unionism largely for form's sake, or for the sake of the servants and the employees, and of course their electors. They did not instinctively share the visceral separatist nationalism of the Presbetarian smallholder in County Down or County Tyrone; still less of the Belfast shipworker. They were Irish gentlemen, with friends and family on both sides of the border.

What this means for the state of Ireland may be illustrated obliquely by a recent conversation in a Fleet Street pub. It will be remembered that for some sporting purposes the United Kingdom, including Northern Ireland, and the Irish Republic are separate entities: they send two teams to the Olympics, for example. In soccer the British Isles produce five international teams, including one from each part of Ireland. But in rugby football the whole island, 32 counties, is represented as ever by one team. (At this moment the British Lions are touring New Zealand led by two Irishmen, a northern Protestant as manager, a southern Catholic as captain).

A British journalist – Welsh to be precise – asked an Irish colleague, how is it that 60 years after partition, with all the bitterness and violence, there should still be a happy, all-Ireland rugby team? "That's simple. Rugger's a middle-class game. It's the working class that's the problem – and their game's soccer. If all of Ireland was middle-class the island would be united tomorrow."

It was said for rhetorical effect but there are people in Belfast who know what he meant, who would agree all too vehemently. The brooding, half-conscious sense of incipient betrayal there comes from a belief that the Orange Ulsterman is not understood across the water. The belief is right. A persistent myth among green Irishmen holds that the Ulster connexion is artificially maintained because the English love their fellow Protestants so much. Little could be further from the truth. The English have always had a soft spot for the Irish – the southern Catholics, the lovable if rascally Irishman. This might be called the Flurry Knox syndrome. It is the Orangemen we have never really liked or understood.

And they know this in Ulster. A few days ago in Belfast a Unionist politician was saying, "Even the Tories only put up with us as long as the party was led by the sort of chap you could take to your club" – as it conspicuously no longer is. The Official Unionists of Mr Molyneaux and Mr Enoch Powell are now a thorough-going plebeian party. Paradoxically they are even further from the comprehension of English politicians than the more radically populist Democratic Unionists. The Officials, at least in theory, want to express their Orange patriotism through a further binding of the ties with Britain. Mr Paisley represents what Mr Powell devisively calls "Protestant Sinn Fein" and in that way is more easily understood by Westminster and Whitehall: just another nationalist politician, like Michael Collins or Makarios or Mr Mugabe.

This great change of Unionist politics is pregnant with future. In the old days the rough Orangemen believed that England and the English – and Anglo-Irish – ruling class would stand by him. There is an Orange song, "The Murder of McBriar" in which the Catholics who have killed an innocent old Protestant are warned of the revenge that will be taken when we come marching "with nobles at our head". The nobles have gone. Now the Protestant workers of Ulster are on their own, farther away from England – and farther from Dr Garret FitzGerald's "peacefully united Ireland" than ever.

Geoffrey Wheatcroft

Beating the drum for the spoiling vote

The press and the election, by Christopher Ward

A new political party appeared from nowhere in the Sunday newspapers and dominated the leader columns: the Party for Tactical Voters. Two papers – *The Observer* and the *Sunday People* – came out firmly in favour of Tactical. Both urged their readers to vote Tactically "to keep the Tories tame", a phrase first used by the *Daily Mirror* in the 1955 election. *The Sunday Times* qualified its support for Tactical. It hoped the Tories would have a clear majority but warned that a Tory landslide could "unleash the forces of illiberalism lying not far beneath the surface of modern conservatism". It added: "This may sound like a recommendation to indulge in tactical voting".

The *News of the World*, on the other hand, came out strongly against Tactical and urged its readers to spoil the tactical vote by voting Tory. And a clearer vote-Tory message came from the *Sunday Telegraph* ("a second term is the only natural choice . . ."), *Mail on Sunday* ("Maggie is the only choice") and the *Sunday Express* ("No middle way"), bringing the Sunday-paper score to Tory 4, Tactical 3.

That left only the *Sunday Mirror* to give its unqualified support to Mr Foot and the Labour Party, although it did not patronize its readers by telling them exactly what to do: "Vote for the best team (and we don't mean Mrs Thatcher's)". Throughout the election campaign the *Sunday Mirror* has not wavered in its support for Labour and – a remarkable feat, this – it has not once given itself a hernia by straining its arguments to breaking point, although it came close to it a few weeks ago when it defended Mr Foot's fitness for office by saying he "eats everything put in front of him".

The balance of the *Sunday Mirror's* campaign coverage has been helped considerably by the enlistment of Roy Hattersley as a guest columnist for the duration of the election, putting the opposite point of view to the paper's resident, pro-Thatcher columnist Woodrow Wyatt, always provocative and readable but a liability at election times for a left-wing newspaper. Mr Wyatt's column yesterday carried the journalistic equivalent of a government health warning: "Unlike the Tory papers, the Sunday Mirror allows opposing points of view in its columns. For the Sunday Mirror's own views about the Election, see page 2".

Recognizing that most of its readers are probably bored to death by the election, the *Sunday Mirror* thought up an ingenious way to put over its message. It devised on its centre pages a general election quiz consisting of 24 statements which the reader had to tick as being either true or false. (Sample: Output per worker in manufacturing is now only 5 per cent higher than when the Tories came to power. In the previous four years under Labour it was up by more than 14 per cent). It's reassuring to know that at least one Fleet Street paper has been able to show Saatchis the way home in clever propaganda.

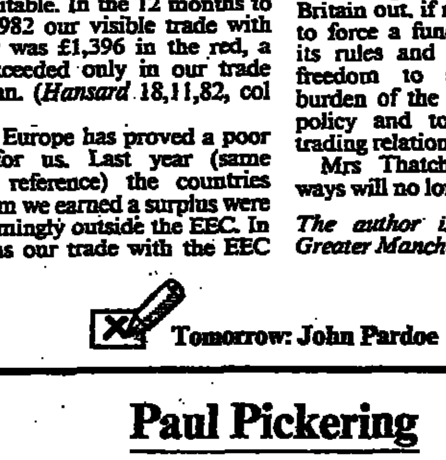
Once again another Norman Mailer essay on the election published in the *Mail on Sunday* turned out to be a damp squib, his description of himself throughout as "our poor American" conflicting with reports of the fee he is receiving. One phrase he used yesterday to describe the Prime Minister – "she hovered on vertiginous heights of aplomb" – will consign him directly to Pseud's Corner, I fear. I preferred the *Sunday People's* account of Mrs Thatcher shouting "out of frustration" at Denis, which was altogether more human.

Both Mrs Thatcher and Mr Foot had two articles published in yesterday's papers. While the Prime Minister's pieces in the *News of the World* and the *Sunday Express* appeared to have been written by the same person, not necessarily Mrs Thatcher, *The Observer's* Michael Foot had a markedly different style to the *News of the World's* Michael Foot. Only the *News of the World* provided a platform for Roy Jenkins. No Sunday paper has been willing to throw its weight behind the Alliance, *The Observer* having lost its nerve at the last minute after flirting with the idea for several weeks. It will be interesting to see whether *The Guardian* can bring itself this week to see the Alliance as anything more than a Tactical vote, or whether it, too, will sit on the fence.

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EEC: figuring out the facts

Barbara Castle



Monday, June 6 – the Stuttgart summit day that never was. This day Mrs Thatcher was to have queened it on the European stage, showing that international "leadership" which she modestly tells us has been forced upon her, and bringing our "own money" back by getting a massive rebate on our contribution to the Euro-budget. Ever since she told our Euro partners that she could not make it, the Conservatives (and the Alliance for that matter) have been lying low about the alleged benefits of our EEC membership and their policies for the future of the Community if we stay in.

Instead, the Conservatives have come up with a negative – the "2,500,000 jobs at risk" if we pull out. Anyone can play the statistic scare game, and many pro-Marketeers do. There was, of course, the warning by the European Movement during the 1975 referendum campaign that if Britain came out, unemployment would rise to three million (it was then 831,000 under a Labour government). Britain voted to stay in, and unemployment has risen to 3,330,000.

Recently the British members of the European Commission, Ivor Richard and Christopher Tugendhat – whose jobs depend on our staying in – have said that withdrawal would mean five million out of work. They give no indication of how they arrive at this figure, which does not even tally with the Tory one. But at election time any figure will do for propaganda purposes.

So let us try to establish the truth. Five and a half million people are employed in British manufacturing industry, and only one-twelfth of their products go to EEC countries, so even if all their exports to Europe stopped dead, we would be talking about 458,000 jobs. Double that for knock-on effects and we are still below one million.

Ah, the Tories retort, West Germany is our biggest single export market. Maybe, but also one of our least profitable. In the 12 months to August 1982 our visible trade with Germany was £1,396 in the red, a deficit exceeded only in our trade with Japan. (*Hansard* 18,11,82, col 219.)

In fact Europe has proved a poor market for us. Last year (same *Hansard* reference) the countries with whom we earned a surplus were overwhelmingly outside the EEC. In fact it was our trade with the EEC countries which largely accounted for our overall £2,256m deficit.

The truth is that even the most ardent pro-Marketeers have been bitterly disappointed with the economic results of our membership. Nor have the other promised advantages materialized. Agricultural spending still takes the lion's share of the Euro-budget (about two-thirds). After last year's excessive farm price increase, food surpluses have shot up again to astronomic heights. Britain is still the second largest net contributor, though we have the third weakest economy.

The outlook for the 1984 Euro-budget is menacing. Even allowing for a British rebate which gives us less than half of our "own money" back, spending will go through the ceiling of 1 per cent VAT. The only way the budget can be balanced, unless more money is raised from member countries, is by trimming the already derisory allocations for the anti-unemployment policy.

As *The Economist* put it on May 7: "The EEC will go broke next year unless some lucky fluke occurs." It added: "If Mrs Thatcher thinks she can achieve a triumph at Stuttgart to help launch a June election campaign, she may be in for a nasty shock." That is why she decided not to go.

The Commission calls on member governments for more money without any evidence that it would be wisely spent or that it would do more than lead to a more elaborate and wasteful bureaucracy.

It is not Labour, therefore, which should be on the defensive about its EEC policy. It is those parties which lie down as supinely as Ted Heath did in 1972 and allow the Community to ride roughshod over our legitimate national interests.

The Community is in crisis. Only a British government willing to take Britain out, if necessary, will be able to force a fundamental revision of its rules and aims, giving us the freedom to shed the ludicrous burden of the common agricultural policy and to negotiate healthier trading relationships.

Mrs Thatcher's trimming both ways will no longer do.

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Tomorrow: John Pardoe

Paul Pickering

Ferret-free, at Labour's peril

It was obvious something had become disjointed in the framework of the universe when my usually mild-mannered stepfather threatened to break the neck of the village vicar. "It's not 1984 you know, not yet," my enraged parent shouted as the man of the cloth tried to hide behind the bus stop. A raw nerve in the body politic of South Yorkshire lay exposed – I had experienced at first hand the unconsidered, yet crucial, ferret factor of this election.

The vicar, known in the village to be a Labour supporter with CND sympathies, had established a nature reserve in his churchyard, in the middle of an area with one of the largest rat populations in the country. Since before Geoff Boycott, old men used to take their ferrets, whippets and terriers to murder the odd rat and catch a few rabbits.

From the best possible motives the vicar decided to declare the churchyard a ferret-free zone, banning dogs and anything else which threatened the armies of wildlife around the graves.

My stepfather was ordered out with the family bull terrier, even though it was pointed out that, as there were no bulls grazing among the plaster angels, the dog could not be regarded as a threat. Suddenly, in an area with the type of unemployment problems beyond the wildest dreams of southern social workers, ferrets have become a symbol of freedom.

This explanation of the threat to the cleric flowed out in the usually silent lunchtime game of dominoes. "It's one of the last pleasures we have left to go out with a ferret or a whippet. It's not cruel, either. Why don't the Labour Party ask folk like us before writing their manifesto?" my Uncle Albert said. Many agree with him.

A meeting of more than 100 trade unionists at the Huddersfield Friendly and Trades Club unanimously passed a resolution promising to fight any party dragging "hunting, shooting, fishing, ferreting, falconry and any field sport" into politics. This is despite the fact that Mr Michael Foot has criticized "the organized savagery of blood sports," and promises to ban all hunting with dogs should he be elected. It is not known where Foot's own dog Dizzy stands on the issue, though he is believed to be the scourge of squirrels on Hampstead Heath.

Proposing the Huddersfield resolution, Mr George Woodrow, a member of the engineering workers' union said: "The Labour party platform is going to be on jobs and I am all for this, but thousands of jobs are tied up with field sports." He then went on to describe the "well meaning people in the anti-blood sports brigade" as the biggest load of cranks ever assembled.

To the shock of many of his one-time fans, the anti-blood sports lobby includes miners' leader Arthur Scargill, the Mother Superior of Yorkshire working class politics who moved his headquarters north to be back among his "own people."

When asked about his position on the weekend pastimes of his members he said: "The NUM is and always has been opposed to the barbaric blood sports, including fox hunting. Our members are fully in support of our policy." My mother could not believe that the holy one had said such a thing: "I thought he was against the rich who try to keep people off private land. A lot of men go ferreting to help feed their families."

Ferrets, it was agreed, should certainly be an issue at the next Labour Party conference. "We are always having trendy ideas foisted on us," a man with a whippet said. "After this election they might take a bit more notice of the actual voter."

When I rang Labour Party headquarters the policy on ferrets seemed to be confused. "I think people have been saying conflicting things and we will be having a rethink," a spokesman said. But it will probably be too late for this election. "We have had quite a number of people saying they want to stop their political levy," the British Field Sports Society said. Mr Brian Toon of the Masters' of Foxhounds Association added: "Opposition among trade unionists to the Labour Party's proposed ban is widespread."

Ferrets have often done stalwart national service. An army of ferrets was used by a conservation group to rid Stonehenge in Wiltshire of a plague of rabbits threatening to undermine the foundations.

A ferret solved the problem of filming the royal wedding for one television company. A draw string in a conduit used for a vital cable had broken, but a ferret, tempted by a juicy piece of bacon, shot through the pipe attached to a nylon line. A lot of Birmingham's telephone lines were laid in the same way, though in those days they used live rats as the carrot.

But such jobs are few and far between. If Labour legislation on blood sports was ever to take hold, these lovable, pink-eyed little creatures might never glare, Tebbit-like, at a rabbit again. They would mope around the house all day, frustrated at being denied the right to work. Ferrets can get very bitter.

This is probably why champion ferret legger Reg Mellor has now abandoned keeping the very sharp-toothed beasts down his trousers. "I became disillusioned at not getting a letter of thanks from the last charity gala," he said, after lasting out 5 hours and 26 minutes on that occasion.

And my stepfather said: "If they are going to attack our working class pursuits we will give up the working class pursuit of voting for them." It's the poor vicar I feel sorry for.

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TIMES PAST THE TIMES

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THE LOVE THAT LABOUR LOST

By the closing weekend of the election the two opposition parties seem largely to have thrown away their manifestos in favour of a single slogan: "Stop Thatcher". That is also the message of that part of the daily and weekly press which supports either Labour or the Alliance. The Tory and Alliance campaigns will be reviewed in these columns in turn tomorrow and on Wednesday. What is it today which can explain why the Labour Party enters the last few days of campaigning in such a sorry state, when, by any normal standards, it should have started the campaign with much to commend its position? Indeed during the first week of campaigning it actually started to gain points from the Conservatives.

The Labour Party started the election campaign with dry powder. No opposition party could expect a much better target than a government which had to defend three million unemployment, an economy showing only tentative evidence of recovery and a record in which only the conquest of inflation and of the Falklands were measurable successes, with the rest having to be taken on trust from a not very elequent band of ministers. A properly conducted campaign, showing some dent in the Tory position, should have been enough to reduce the danger of enfilade from the Alliance.

Labour's campaigning strategy was to concentrate on unemployment and social issues and to stay off defence, the Falklands and the Common Market. If that strategy could have been sustained, it might have been effective. Nobody could have imagined how decisively and suicidally it was to be ignored by Labour leaders themselves.

The initial emphasis on unemployment reflected the fact that voters saw it as a major problem. What Labour strategists soon discovered, however, was that the electorate did not automatically assume that Labour had the best solution. Indeed one poll revealed that 27 per cent of the unemployed intended to vote Tory. Morevover there was evidence that electors, particularly pensioners, were nervous of the inflationary consequences of Labour's claim to be able to buy out unemployment.

The strategy for the second week was supposed to emphasize Labour's historic identification with the National Health Service and the whole apparatus of the welfare state. Again the party should have been able to make headway against a government which was felt to be suspect in this area; again it blew its chances in a revealing wrangle over those nuclear disagreements which it had hoped to conceal.

Of course the reasons for this cumulative failure cannot be wholly attributed simply to a maladroit campaign, nor to the inexperience of those party officials in charge of its machine. The causes go back further in time and deeper into the character of the party.

The Labour Party had been living a lie; what is perhaps surprising is that the pressure of a mere three weeks' electioneering has so cruelly exposed the deceit at the core of the party's travail. That deceit springs from the change in its traditional position as a broad church to one of a narrow sect. It can be discerned from the way, even in an election, so much of the party's invective seems to be coded to apply to different wings of itself, rather than to attract the widest measure of support.

The roots of this sectarian socialism can be traced to the ill-fated decision to lift the ban on dual membership of the Labour Party and sundry sectarian or militant groupings. That decision even condoned fraternal relationships with Communist parties of east Europe. That is when the rot set in which has now disfigured the face of the party. It has allow its activist elements to be taken over by socialists who seem to have no feeling for the millions of Labour voters. The same attitude to their members can be found among activists in the trade unions, who have so much to say in the Labour Party's counsels.

There are thus far too many voters who do not share the ideology of Labour Party activists, but who have hitherto found a natural political home in a party which has for fifty years provided a wholly credible and necessary alternative government of the moderate, humane and very British left.

Throughout the campaign the decline in the Labour Party's appeal has been epitomized by the leadership of Mr Michael Foot. Yet Mr Foot has only been himself. He is living no lie. The subversion of the Party long predates his leadership, which is only a consequence of it not a cause. A different man might have achieved different things in the party before the electon, though that would have been unlikely of Mr Healey. His unworthy performance in the campaign cannot all be put down to the frustration of an able man confined to play loyal lieutenant to a less able captain.

Labour's decline springs as much from the thicket of little and large deceptions which any able mind at the top of the Labour Party has nowadays to cope with. Those deceptions and contradictions will have to be resolved before the party can hope to give encouragement to those millions of decent Labour voters who would in effect be disenfranchised without a party which could combine the intellectual economic and social strands of British social democracy all under a single leadership. That social democratic tap-root goes deep into the structure of British society, particularly in the north. It is the bedrock element in the Labour vote which will always guarantee Labour about two hundred seats in the Commons.

The prospects for Labour making an early recovery from an election defeat this week do not look encouraging, unless the incoming parliamentary party, whatever its strength, manages to discard the Tribunite enthusiasms which have activated its predecessor. Somehow Labour's leaders, and Labour's activists, will have to learn a hard lesson, that there is no point in capturing power within the party if the consequence of doing so is to deprive the party of its general support in the country. That has been the narrow vision of the zealot throughout the ages, and the British people do not like zealots.

THE PARTIES AND THE SCHOOLS

Surely the open threat posed by the Labour Party to private schooling in general and the great schools in particular would deserve more attention were the outcome of the election in keener dispute. As it is even the most vocal and camera-struck of public school headmasters are barely heard. They feel secure, and rightly, for "schools in the community" and other dangerous paragraphs in Labour's manifesto should be read only as an exercise in political wish fulfilment.

As with public schools, so education at large has retreated into the limbo of half-read manifesto half-promises, or (as in the case of the Conservative claims about a favourable pupil-teacher ratio, something achieved only through the defeat of the Government's spending plans) re-writes of recent administrative history. The stentorian voices of educational debate have been silent. Mr Neil Kinnock has made more of a splash on other topics. Mrs Shirley Williams, perhaps best for her reputation's sake, has maintained a convenient discretion over the Alliance's generally sensible plans and her own record as Secretary of State. And Dr Rhodes Boyson, who might in other circumstances have had much to give to the Conservative Party's attempted mastery of the demotic in such matters as education and penal policy, has been relegated to the sidelines. Lacking that incantation-word "vouchers" the educational sections of the Conservative manifesto have excited none of the enthusiasts.

The result is a void in the middle of Conservative thinking about both economy and society in years to come. The manifesto looks back with some justifiable pride at efforts, concentrated in the 1980 Education Act, to give education's consumers some leverage against the over-mighty cartel of teachers and administrators. But for the rest Lord Beloff's party committee on education met in vain: as edited for the manifesto their efforts read like nothing so much as the blandest of handouts from the information office of the Department of Education and Science.

There is barely a word there to reassure those ordinary, Conservative-voting parents anxious about the way some councils are administering the great drop in pupil numbers and its attendant consequences for individual schools; precious little on much-needed integration of job training and skill-getting (the province of the Manpower Services Commission) with education which tends to be much too academic for the lower ability pupil. Worst, there is no sympathy with popular discontent at the dilution during the 1960s and 1970s of the schools' achievement culture; no recognition of the need to rebuild a pattern of assessment (partly but not wholly based on formal examinations) which would extend to all pupils the chance of having by the age of 16 some tangible proof of attainment to be offered to an employer or college entrance committee.

Nowhere does the Conservative manifesto mention that dread word comprehensive. This embarrassed reticence is a mistake. In most parts of the country common schooling from 11 to 16 is here to stay. The object for governments, councils, parents and all those other "consumers" of education who are often forgotten is to build on the good secondary schools (which may go under the alias of sixth form colleges) and push the improving schools.

For the rest Sir Keith Joseph or his successor could do worse than consult the teachers themselves. Thanks to a national poll by *The Times Educational Supplement*, we know that in the privacy of a questionnaire, teachers do not mirror their syndicalist representatives in the National Union of Teachers or the National Association of Schoolmasters. Not only do a plurality of teachers (44 per cent) plan to vote Conservative but teachers support a number of useful educational reforms, ranging from a compulsory vocational element in the curriculum for pupils over 14 to a mechanism for linking teachers' pay and promotion to an annual assessment of their performance, and a general tightening in standards of literacy and arithmetic in primary schools. On this evidence, a Conservative government already has allies at the blackboard. What it lacks is a plan of campaign.

Saving parish records

From Commander W. R. Knocker, RN (retd)

Sir, Due to temporary absence from home, I may not have read all the printed correspondence on this subject but may I suggest what seems to be a convenient and simple solution to all such comments I have read? It is based on the action taken, with full approval of our rector and parochial church council, by this small Somerset village.

A couple of years ago, more by accident than design, I made a transcript of our parish church registers for the period 1558-1860, as the full set of original registers, in fair to poor condition, still exist. The churchwardens arranged for an index to be compiled, a parishioner typed fair copies of it, and my manuscript and both are now in the church safe. The original registers and similar type old parish records have been transferred to the county archives.

As a result anyone, parishioner or outsider, wishing to peruse the content of the registers can now do so with the greatest ease and the continuous deterioration of valuable records over the last 400-odd years has been, at the very least, arrested.

For those, as in my case, who have no previous experience of transcribing an old register and no knowledge of the stylised script called Secretary Hand, I can assure them the task proved to be much easier and quicker than expected.

Yours faithfully,
W. R. KNOCKER,
Carpenters,
Norton-sub-Hamdon,
Somerset.

Whitehall talks

From Mr Philip Goldenberg, Liberal/SDP Alliance candidate for Woking

Sir, It is hardly surprising that, as Mr Peter Hennessey reports today (May 31), opposition parties, invited upon the announcement of a general election to engage in discussions with senior civil servants, have other more immediate priorities.

The real lesson is that such invitations should be extended much earlier. Over a year ago, I made a quasi-formal oral approach to the chairman of the Board of Inland Revenue indicating the Liberal Party's wish for such discussions in relation to the departmental restructuring which would, in our view, be necessary in the context of our proposals for credit taxation. The reply was that such discussions could not take place without the approval of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and that it was extremely unlikely that he would give his consent.

The problems that have arisen on this occasion because of a snap election highlight the need for an agreed convention whereby senior civil servants can, without seeking specific ministerial consent, engage in regular and constructive dialogue with opposition parties on major issues, particularly as they affect the Civil Service. This would be beneficial to the Civil Service and to opposition parties alike.

Yours faithfully,
PHILIP GOLDENBERG,
White Trees,
White Rose Lane,
Woking,
Surrey.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tactical voting and other issues in run-up to polls

From Lord Gladwyn

Sir, Mr Parkinson says that a vote for the Alliance would, in effect, be a vote in favour of a Labour majority in the coming election. This is because it might result in the Conservatives losing certain marginal elections. Indeed it might, thus preventing a Tory "landslide" so much feared and deprecated by Mr Francis Pym.

The idea that it might also result in the loss of certain seats by the Labour Party does not seem to occur to this eminent, if amateur, psephologist. The belief that it might thus introduce a healthy third force into the rather stale arena of British politics is clearly foreign to his thought.

Yours faithfully,
GLADWYN,
House of Lords,
June 30.

From Dr Rhys S. Jones

Sir, To cut through the tangled maze of issues being raised in the present election campaigns, may I suggest a simple parallel?

Mrs Thatcher is sometimes portrayed as too uncompromising. So was Charles de Gaulle when he was elected president of a chaotic France in 1959. French voters realised their country needed a "benevolent dictator".

Six years later, at the next referendum, in 1965, he was re-elected president by popular suffrage, as the slow and arduous task of re-stabilizing France was obviously not fully completed. A *second* term in office was essential for him to "finish the job". Mrs Thatcher has been Prime Minister for only four years . . .

Last year the French voted for a socialist "panacea" which has already proved in practice to be economically unworkable. It had merely sounded plausible.

Are not the recent experiences of our French neighbours relevant and helpful as we consider how to vote on June 9?

Yours etc,
RHYS S. JONES,
3 Colwyn House,
Bishops Close,
Whitchurch,
Cardiff.
June 1.

From Mr Eric Chalker

Sir, Your leader of May 31 defines a landslide as. "a great majority of votes leading to an overwhelming parliamentary victory." You do not acknowledge, however, that an overwhelming parliamentary victory can occur under our silly voting system without even a small majority – in fact, a minority. That, of course, is what usually happens.

In this particular election, the biggest vote indicated for any party so far is just over 50 per cent, for the Conservatives. Such a vote would be a majority and would itself be a fairly remarkable event, but the only "landslide" would be in seats not votes.

Of course, a government supported by a majority of those voting is not to be sneezed at. It would, after all, carry an element of legitimacy not achieved by very many of their predecessors. Perhaps that legitimacy is what Mrs Thatcher most hankers for, when she calls for a "massive majority".

Yours faithfully,
ERIC CHALKER,
21 Ingleside Close,
Beckenham,
Kent.
June 2.

From Miss Flora Jacobs

Sir, Sir Robin Day, in taking the blame for what he describes as a mishandled interview, shows great courtesy.

He was not *allowed* by the Prime Minister to ask a number of important questions. It seemed to viewers that her monologue could not be interrupted without seeming rudeness on his part.

Having failed to notice that "Mr Day" was knighted three and a half years ago, one wonders what else has escaped her notice; much I fear.

As a Tory voter, may I sign myself
Yours sceptically,
FLORA JACOBS,
14 Holland Park Road, W14.
June 2.

From Mr Bernard Greenwood

Sir, If Mrs Thatcher would press the button because she would rather be dead than red, then let her, and all like-minded people, be prepared to commit personal suicide should Russia ever be poised to invade Britain. And let those more courageous of us who would rather resist, by passive or active guerilla means, a Russian takeover, knowing that invaded peoples do eventually recover their freedom, even if it takes generations, remain alive to do so.

We don't want to be like the millionaire's chauffeur, who was told: "Drive off the cliff, James. I'm committing suicide."

Yours,
BERNARD GREENWOOD,
Woodcote,
Chagford,
Devon.
June 1.

Club rating relief

From Mr James Dowd

Sir, With the general election campaign well under way leaders of the main political parties and parliamentary candidates should be aware that one of the greatest threats to the rights of the British people is the intolerable burden of rates imposed on the non profit-making clubs that exist to provide a service for local communities.

Without the sports and social clubs many communities would be deprived of facilities for a huge range of sporting and leisure activities ranging over cricket, squash, rugby, tennis, bowls, darts, snooker, fishing and numerous other pursuits.

All local authorities are empowered under Section 40 of the General Rate Act 1967 to give up to 50 per cent discretionary rates relief to clubs which are "not established or conducted for profit" and are "wholly or mainly used for purposes of recreation." Yet many authorities heap full rates on the clubs, which means on the members.

Some rates burdens on non-profit-making clubs are outrageous. For example, the Sheffield Amateur Sports Club, which provides a wide range of sports for the local community, has had its rates bill increased from £5,000 to a ridiculous £27,000 over the last few years.

In West Lothian the Uphall Station Club has had the rent it pays to the council for its hall increased from £100 to £3,500 plus rates of £4,000 over the last two years. Workingmen's clubs in Barnsley have had their rates increased from less than £200 paid in 1976 to up to £3,500.

This Alliance is therefore embarking on a campaign to change the discretionary rates relief available to clubs to mandatory relief. The millions of voters who are club members will be urged to ask parliamentary candidates their views on an issue which is literally a matter of life and death for many non profit-making clubs.

Yours faithfully,
J. DOWD, Honorary Secretary,
Alliance of British Clubs,
PO Box 32,
Stockport,
Cheshire.
June 1.

North-South divide

From Mr Nicholas Bennett

Sir, Councillor David Blunkett, the Labour leader of Sheffield City Council (May 27), puts forward the novel constitutional argument that local authorities under the control of his political party should have the right if the Conservatives are re-elected to "maximum separation" from central government.

Why stop there? Surely those wards within Sheffield and other Labour controlled authorities which return Conservative councillors should have the right to cede from the council? Bearing in mind the rates that Councillor Blunkett's authority levies, this will be an extremely popular policy.

Yours faithfully,
NICHOLAS BENNETT,
22 Almond Grove,
Hampstead,
Gillingham,
Kent.
May 31.

Disenfranchised

From Mr Peter Anderson

Sir, It may be of interest to your readers to know that probably most British citizens currently working overseas have been disenfranchised by the current electoral arrangements.

The day that the general election was announced, I wrote to my electoral registration office requesting the necessary forms to register my family's votes. A reply from that office dated May 18, enclosing the forms, required them to be returned to that office by noon on May 20 to be effective.

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c/o Llewelyn-Davies Weekes,
Moosa Abdul Rahman Hassan Building,
PO Box 5246,
Ruwi,
Sultanate of Oman.
May 26.

'Peace for Galilee' one year later

From Lord Chelwood

Sir, I hope you will allow space for this letter on June 6, one year to the day since Israel launched its "peace for Galilee" operation. An estimated 20,000 people, mainly civilians, died in Israel's ruthless bombardment of the towns and cities of southern Lebanon, and at least 50,000 were maimed.

For what? A year later it is clear that, far from improving the chances of peace in Lebanon or in the Middle East as a whole, Israel's invasion and continued occupation not only fuel more civil strife but could well provoke another full scale civil war, this time with the added risk of superpower confrontation.

Only America can persuade Israel that it is in her best interests to abide by the law and cooperate in the latest efforts to reach a peaceful settlement of the Arab-Israel dispute, and bring home the cost of failure.

The question President Eisenhower asked in 1957 has never been more apposite: "Should a nation which attacks and occupies foreign territory in the face of United Nations' disapproval be allowed to impose the conditions of its withdrawal? If so, I fear we will have turned back the clock of international order".

Yours sincerely,
CHELWOOD,
House of Lords,
June 3.

Rampant rape

From Mr Alan Mattingly

Sir, Your leading article on the mixed blessing of the oilseed rape "explosion" (May 30) will have struck a chord with many walkers horse-riders and cyclists who are now finding hundreds of their footpaths and bridleways disappearing beneath this tall, yellow crop.

According to the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, farmers are prohibited from disturbing the surface of paths that follow the edges of fields and are required to restore after ploughing those rights of way that cross fields. Unfortunately, these laws are about as effective as those which make the dropping of litter an offence, with the result that crops are too often grown across public paths (all of which are highways in law).

Oilseed rape grows very quickly and becomes impossible to penetrate. Path users are left with the options of retracing their steps or of looking for an alternative route which may cause them to trespass and even do unintentional damage to other crops. This is in nobody's interests, and the solution lies in the hands of local authorities who have powers to restore themselves the line of ploughed-up rights of way and to charge the costs to the offending farmer.

Yours sincerely,
ALAN MATTINGLY, Secretary,
The Ramblers' Association,
1/5 Wandsworth Road, SW8.
May 30.

From Mr Christopher Coleshill

Sir, Backward agricultural vandals hereabouts allow local beekeepers to set their hives amongst the flowering rape.

Yours from amongst the buttercups,
C. J. COLESHILL,
9 Manor Farm Cottages,
Stockland Bristol,
Bridgewater,
Somerset.

Victims of crime

From Mr Clive Davies

Sir, C. H. Rolph (May 25) knows much more about crime and punishment than most of us do, and is probably right in selecting neighbourhood watch schemes and victim support schemes as the only two worthwhile developments to have emerged from the depressingly sterile quagmire of contemporary criminological and penological thinking and practice (though I'd add a third myself: the mediation and arbitration scheme, still embryonic in Britain, but ably advocated for years by people like Robert Kilroy-Silk and Martin Wright). He is certainly right in deploring the shoe-string budget on which the National Association of Victim Support Schemes has to operate.

When Margery Fry was campaigning in the 1950s for state compensation for victims of crime, she argued that the government owes its citizens a *duty* to protect them from crime, that being one of the services we all pay rates and taxes for. Every crime committed, she thought, betokens a breach of that duty, a governmental wrong which the government should put right as far as possible by the payment of compensation.

That argument won the day, I thought, when the criminal injuries compensation scheme was established in 1964. Does it not apply with equal force to the victim support schemes idea?.

Classical Toryism restricts the legitimate sphere of governmental activity to the preservation of internal order, protection from foreign enemies and the administration of justice. All crimes are breaches of internal order and many result in grave injustice to their victims.

All Tories, then, must agree with state support for victims of crime, recognizing them as victims of the state's failure to meet its minimal obligations. Labourites like me and Alliance supporters will all subscribe to this, adding the welfare state principle that it's desirable to help the unfortunate.

Whatever the outcome of the general election of June 9, then, it seems reasonable to hope that the new government will try to fulfill a very, very old obligation: its duty to those unfortunate enough to be victims of crime. It is an obligation far too long unfulfilled.

Yours sincerely,
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Liverpool.
May 31.

Marriage and tax

From Mrs Jean Viall

Sir, Mr David Lindsay's letter (May 25) prompts me to put to readers the view of the National Council of Women of Great Britain on the subject of marriage and tax.

In December 1980 Sir Geoffrey Howe presented a Green Paper entitled "The Taxation of Husband and Wife". One of the proposed options was to make the individual the basic unit for tax by the separate assessment and taxation of the incomes of husband and wife, with the phasing out of the married man's allowance and the wife's earned income allowance, and their replacement by a personal tax allowance for each spouse made fully transferable between them. This option is the policy of the Council and mirrors our concern for the unfavourable treatment given under present tax regulations to the married couple with only one earner.

The Council first passed a resolution calling for separate taxation as long ago as 1919. Surely the time for discussion is past and action is overdue to end discrimination against the married woman who is not in paid employment.

Yours faithfully,
JEAN VIALL, President,
The National Council of Women of Great Britain,
34 Lower Sloane Street, SW1.

An unfair levy

From Mr E. J. Lee

Sir, During the course of the interview with Anthony Smith, Director of the British Film Institute, which was the subject of an article in *The Times* dated May 11, 1983, he is reported as saying that a source of income for a new fund to finance film production would be the existing Eady levy. This is a view which is strongly contested by all sections of the British cinema exhibition industry.

It had some economic and equitable justification when the cinema was the only user of films. That situation changed fundamentally with the advent of widespread national television broadcasting which was followed by video cassettes and discs and is due to be followed by cable and satellites, all of which use feature films made and paid for by the cinema, as a major part of their programming. They also rely heavily on the promotional value of the cinema as a "shop window" for those films.

The cinema now finds itself in the uniquely unfavourable position of being subject to a selective charge on its box office receipts which is then used directly to fund material for its competitors. This situation cannot possibly be justified and the levy must be totally and immediately removed before it causes final and irrevocable damage to cinemas in this country.

Yours faithfully,
E. J. LEE, General Secretary,
The Cinematograph Exhibitors' Association of Great Britain and Ireland,
22/25 Dean Street, W1.
May 13.

Spirit of service

From General Sir Anthony Farrar-Hockley

Sir, Your remarks concerning conscription (leader, May 23) stimulated some interesting responses on May 26 but *inter alia* these left hanging further questions deserving comment.

Mr Woolcombe and Mr van der Schrieck question from different standpoints public acceptability of conscription. It is commonly said that the British people are averse to it but I have reason to doubt this. During 1968-70, while a defence fellow of Exeter College, Oxford, I undertook a study of national service and British society and, following a wide ranging survey, found to my surprise that of males between the ages of 16 to 79 years inclusive (no females were canvassed) overall 53.86 per cent favoured the reintroduction of conscription for military service, 78.5 per cent favoured reintroduction for service of some kind, including military.

Of course, this information is more than ten years out of date now but it is noteworthy that memories of such service were fresher then and thus judgments better informed. Even so, I hazard the view that if such a survey was undertaken now, there would be widespread support for conscription, at least a substantial minority.

Your leader, Sir, advocated conscription for military reasons. The greater number of those who told me during my survey that they wished to see it reintroduced did so primarily because they believed in its social benefits, though their ideas about this benefit varied considerably in kind and emphasis.

The weight of opinion in the armed forces since 1945 has been against conscription because it involves an expensive training system producing a markedly lower level of expertise and stability in the standing forces. Senior offices have doubted whether, with pressures on money available for defence, there would be enough for both such a manning bill and for arms and equipment.

These professional views have not been overborne by the dividends of conscription: the disposal of a mobilisation reserve of millions of men and perhaps women; an identification of a majority of families in the land with defence due to the involvement of their sons and daughters, an involvement which among other things comprehends the act and spirit of service to nation by all young people, irrespective of social circumstances.

Popular identification and reserves notwithstanding, I myself believe we have gone too far down the road of professionalism to go back to conscription. There is, in any case, another means of disposing reserve forces of the type and size commensurate with our size and economic strength: voluntary military service on a part time basis.

We already have excellent reserve units manned in this way for the Royal Navy, the Army and the Royal Air Force. We should have more, developing some to greater expertise – why not, for example, have reserve combat air squadrons after the pattern of the United States' Air National Guard? In this context also my colleagues, Lord Hill-Norton, Sir Frederick Sowrey and Sir David Wills and I have advocated a lower tier of home defence units embracing a million volunteers.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,
ANTHONY FARRAR-HOCKLEY,
Pye Barn,
Moulsford,
Oxfordshire.
May 28.

Premature swansong

From Dr Edward Lowbury

Sir, Perhaps Paul Griffiths (May 9) and Marc Rochester (June 1) are both in error about this. As Orlando Gibbons put it in his famous madrigal:

The silver swan, who living had not note,
When death approached unlocked her silent throat.

Luckily for us, Brahms's note – and notes – spanned over forty years, so he was in no position to produce a swansong.

Yours sincerely,
EDWARD LOWBURY,
79 Vernon Road,
Birmingham.



COURT AND SOCIAL

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE
June 4: The Duke of Edinburgh, Colonel, Grenadier Guards, took the Salute at the Second Rehearsal of The Queen's Birthday Parade on the Horse Guards Parade this morning.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 4: The Prince of Wales, President of the International Council of United World Colleges, and President of The Mary Rose Trust, accompanied by The Princess of Wales, this evening attended a Ball in aid of the Colleges and the Trust, at Broadlands, Romsey, Hampshire.

The Hon Edward Adeane and Miss Anne Beckwith-Smith were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 5: The Duchess of Gloucester was present this evening at Dame Ninette de Valois 85th Birthday Ballet Gala in aid of The Dance Teachers' Benevolent Fund at Sadler's Wells Theatre, London.

Mrs Michael Wigley was in attendance.

Princess Alexandra will visit Wino & Coales (Denso) Ltd at West Norwood, London, on July 12.

A memorial service for Captain Sir Cecil Boyd-Rochfort will be held today at noon in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks.

Birthdays today

Sir Isaiah Berlin, OM, 74; Professor B. Bleaney, 68; Mr Bjorn Borg, 27; Lord Carrington, 64; Mr Sydney Cockerell, 77; Dame Ninette de Valois, CH, 85; Mr Mike Gatting, 26; Mr Iain Hamilton, 61; Professor R. A. Humphreys, 76; Lord Inchyra, 83; Major-General R. C. M. King, 79; Lord Kings Norton, 81; Mr Willie-John McBride, 43; Mr Justice McNeill, 61; Sir Douglas Marpeth, 59; Lord Nugent of Guildford, 76; Air Marshal Sir Charles Pringle, 64; Sir Kenneth Roberts-Wray, QC, 84; Dr Ruth Sanger, 65; Lord Stodart of Leaston, 67; Air Marshal Sir Hugh Walmsley, 85; Miss Billie Whitelaw, 51.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr S. H. Chesterton and Miss J. A. Ogilvy-Wedderburn
The engagement is announced between Sam, son of Sir Oliver and Lady Chesterton, of Kensington, London, and Jeannie, daughter of the late Sir Peter Ogilvy-Wedderburn and of Lady Ogilvy-Wedderburn, of Sylvie, Alyth, Perthshire.

Mr N. A. Clark and Miss E. A. Campbell
The engagement is announced between Nigel, son of Sir John Clark, of Redenham Park, Andover, Hampshire, and of Mrs Deirdre Clark, of 17 Mulberry Walk, London, SW3, and Emma, daughter of Mr and Mrs Nigel Campell, of 18 Chester Square, London, SW1.

Mr M. H. Evans and Miss A. G. Partridge
The engagement is announced between Mark Hally, son of Mr and Mrs A. E. Evans, of Fordingbridge, Hants, and Alison Grace, daughter of the late Sir John Partridge and Lady Partridge, of Haslemere, Surrey.

Mr S. J. Boyd and Miss S. S. Devany
The engagement is announced between Stephen, younger son of Mr and Mrs J. M. Boyd, of Milngavie, Dunbartonshire, Scotland and Susan, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J. W. Devany, of Monifieth, Angus, Scotland.

Mr M. J. Lock and Miss K. L. Beswick
The engagement is announced between Michael, only son of Mr and Mrs G. Lock, of Sale, Cheshire, and Kate, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs D. G. E. Beswick, of Corsley, Warminster, Wiltshire.

Mr C. G. Nicholson and Miss A. A. Fisher
The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Mr and Mrs Hugh Nicholson, of 24, Sussex Square, Brighton, and Amelia, daughter of Mr and Mrs Ian Fisher, of Moreton Pinkney Grange, Northamptonshire.

Mr C. P. Peal and Miss A. Picton-Turbervill
The engagement is announced between Charles, only son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs Douglas Peal, of Findon, West Sussex, and Antonia, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Wilfrid Picton-Turbervill, of Clavering Saffron Walden, Essex.

Mr M. Rowland and Miss M. J. M. Keely
The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr and Mrs Peter Rowland, of Truro, and Miranda, daughter of Mr and Mrs Jon Keely, Southview, Hungerford.

Mr A. J. Stewart-Jones and Miss J. C. Peaston
The engagement is announced between Anthony, son of Mr and Mrs John Stewart-Jones, of Sevenoaks, Kent, and Jane, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs John Peaston, of Queen's Park, Chester.

Marriages

Mr A. J. Leonard and Miss S. J. Cormack
The marriage took place on Saturday at St Mary-at-Hill, EC3, of Mr Anthony Leonard, only son of Mr Justice and Lady Leonard, of Merstham, Surrey, and Miss Shan Cormack, eldest daughter of Mr John McRae Cormack, of London, and the Hon Mrs Jean Cormack, of Newtown, Powys. The Rev Dr B. A. C. Kirk-Duncan officiated. An address was given by Canon P. E. Duval and Canon C. D. Smith celebrated communion.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Timothy and Jennifer Jarvis, Gwendoline and Christianne Davies and Miss Nicola Wright. Mr Peter Bernhard was best man and a guard of honour was found from 6/7th (Volunteer) Battalion The Queen's Regiment.

A reception was held at Plaisterers' Hall and the honeymoon will be spent in England.

Mr P. C. A. Leguen de Lacroix and Miss C. E. L. Goodenday
The marriage took place on Saturday, June 4, at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Farm Street, London, W1, between Mr Paul Leguen de Lacroix, younger son of Mr and Mrs Giles Leguen de Lacroix, and Miss Carole Goodenday, only daughter of Mr David Goodenday and Mrs Micheline Goodenday.

A reception was held at the Naval and Military Club and the honeymoon is being spent in Greece.

Mr C. H. S. Machell and Miss S. Nicholson
The marriage took place in Newcastle upon Tyne on Saturday, June 4, of Mr Christopher Machell and Miss Sally Nicholson.

Mr J. L. Seaward and Miss E. Blakeley
The marriage of Mr Julian Lloyd Seaward and Miss Elizabeth Blakeley took place at St Mary's Church, Ewelme, Oxfordshire, on Saturday, June 4, 1983.

Latest wills

Judge Travers Christmas Humphreys, QC, of London, founding president of the Buddhist Society, left estate valued at £299,560 net. He left his home to the Zen Trust.

Judge Richard Jeffreys Hampton Collinson, of Wallasey, Merseyside, a circuit judge since 1975 and a former leader of Wallasey Council, left estate valued at £24,987 net. He died intestate.

Miss Dorothy Mary Rowena Cade, of Porthcurno, Cornwall, founder of the Minack Theatre at Porthcurno, left estate valued at £125,387 net.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid):

Brown, Laura, of Easingwold, York £250,632
Henrey, Miss Blanche Elizabeth Edith, of Hyde Park, London £475,569
Hawkins, Mr Leslie John, of Abbots Leigh, Bristol £386,549
Hulme, Mr Alfred Rogerson, of Preston, Lancashire £454,476
Kellett, Miss Marjorie, of Longsight, Manchester £214,975
Lerwill, Mr Ronald Richard, of Barnstaple, Devon £225,269
Sanders, Mr Benedict Alfred Peter, of Richmond, North Yorkshire £485,615
Shadbolt, Mr Eric George, of Wareham, Dorset, intestate. £207,729
Skurray, Mr Alan Arthur Francis, of Bridport, Dorset £285,748

Royal College of Physicians

Among new fellows admitted by Dr Raymond Hoffenberg, president, to the Royal College of Physicians of London on June 2 were: Honorary fellows: Dr H. H. Hopkins, Dr C. Milstein, and Dr J. R. Vane; under special bye-law: Dr H. Bickel, Dr Y. W. Kan (in absentia), and Dr Lewis Thomas (in absentia).

Move to protect prehistoric site

Creswell Crags in north Derbyshire, where extensive prehistoric remains have been found, should be protected by being designated an area of archaeological importance, Bolsover District Council's planning committee says. The order would need to be confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Environment.

Divers search for flagship

Divers began an underwater expedition off the Suffolk coast yesterday, searching for the remains of three ancient wrecks and parts of the medieval town of Dunwich, which crumpled into the sea.

They hope to find The Royal James, the flagship of the British fleet, which was lost in the Battle of Sole Bay in 1672.

Vintage car find

More than sixty cars from the 1920s and 1930s have been found in Nissen huts on a farm in Beeston, Norfolk. They include two 1934 Mercedes drop-head coupés.

Reception

St Dunstan's College, Catford
The Governors of St Dunstan's College, Catford (chairman of governors, Mr Peter Bowring), held a reception on May 31 at the Church of All Hallows by the Tower to launch an appeal to commemorate the centenary of the school's move from the City of London to Catford. Among the guests were Lord Auckland and Major-General Sir Digby and Lady Raeburn.

Dinner

Sovereign Order of St John of Jerusalem
The annual dinner of the Grand Priory of London of the Sovereign Order of St John of Jerusalem was held on Saturday at the RAF Club. Squadron Leader Douglas Young-James, Grand Prior of London, was in the chair, and the guest of honour was Father R. J. Christie, SJ.

Radio award

Miss Eileen Tulley, of Manchester, and Mr Scott Cherry, of Nottingham, have won the Carleton Hobbs awards for 1983, formerly known as the BBC radio drama annual students' prize competition. They start six-month contracts with the BBC's Radio Drama Company next month.



A scene from "The Life of the Virgin" by Albrecht Durer.

Durer volume may fetch £100,000

By Huon Mallalieu

A price of more than £100,000 is expected for a volume containing Albrecht Durer's three major series of woodcuts when it is offered at Sotheby's on June 17.

The 48 prints which make up *The Life of the Virgin*, *The Large Passion* and *The Apocalypse* are all in the Latin edition of 1511 and are in generally good condition.

However, these facts alone would not account for such a price. There are also, for instance, single woodcuts from the first two series in the same sale, which carry estimates of up to £1,500 each. What gives the volume its special importance is the splendid gold-stamped vellum binding.

This dates from the last third of the sixteenth century, which is rare enough, and it is stamped with the insignia of the Stadtbibliothek Nuremberg, which includes the coats of arms of the City of Nuremberg and of the Imhoff family, which endowed the library.

Willibald Imhoff was also closely connected with Durer and married the granddaughter of his friend the humanist, Pirckheimer.

Durer was the son of a Nuremberg goldsmith, and he lived in the city for much of his life. *The Apocalypse* of 1498 was one of the first great works which he executed after returning from his first visit to Italy and it is a mixture of Gothic and Renaissance themes and style. This volume may well have been Imhoff's own.

The records of the Stadtbibliothek are incomplete, but the volume appears to have been removed during the Napoleonic Wars by the French general, Andreossi. Its subsequent history is unknown, and Sotheby's are able to say only that it comes from a European collector.

The authorities at the Stadtbibliothek are anxious that the volume, with its associations with one of Nuremberg's greatest citizens, should return to them. It would certainly be pleasant, and a little ironic, at a time when fingers are so often pointed at Britain for sitting on the treasures of others, if this country should be seen to be acting as the honest broker in the return of another's heritage.

Church news

Appointments:

The Rev M Annely, Curate of Tettenhall Regis, diocese of Lichfield, to be Curate of Midsomer Norton, diocese of Bath and Wells.

The Rev I H Barham, non-stipendiary Curate of St Mary, Bury St Edmunds, diocese of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich, to be Assistant Curate of All Saints, Patcham, diocese of Chichester.

The Rev M C Birchby, Rector of St Mary, Pembridge with St Mary, Moorcourt, St John Evangelist, Shobdon, St Peter, Staunton-on-Arrow, and St Mary, Byton, Leominster, diocese of Hereford, to be Rector of a new benefice uniting those parishes.

The Rev R J Carlton, Head of Integrated Sciences at Henbury Comprehensive School, Bristol, to be Chaplain jointly of Exeter School and St Margaret's (Woodard) School, Exeter.

The Rev N G Coatsworth, Instructor at the Walter Boyce Centre for Mentally Handicapped Adults, Brentwood, to be Team Vicar, Holy Trinity and St George with Christ Church, Folkestone, diocese of Canterbury.

The Rev H F C Cole, Vicar or Wadsley, Sheffield, doicese of Sheffield, to be also Rural Dean of Hallam, Sheffield, same diocese.

The Rev J Eastgate, Vicar of Woodley, diocese of Oxford, to be Vicar of Hughenden, same diocese.

The Rev A C Gould, Vicar of St Paul, Knowbury, and priest-in-charge, St Peter, Coreley, Ludlow, diocese of Hereford, to be priest-in-charge, All Saint, Berrington with St Margaret, Betton Strange, and St Peter, Cound, Shrewsbury, same diocese.

The Rev A M Haig, priest-in-charge of Holy Trinity, Bath, diocese of Bath and Wells, to be Vicar of the same parish, same diocese.

The Rev B Hayllar, Team Rector of St Andrews, Moulsecoomb, diocese of Chichester, to be Rector of Rotherfield and Mark Cross, same diocese.

The Rev A R Kennedy, Vicar of Lightwater, diocese of Guildford, to be Vicar of All Saints, West Ham, diocese of Chelmsford.

The Rev J Gun-Hong Lee, Assistant Curate of Bloxwich, diocese of Lichfield, to be Team Vicar, St Fremund, Dunstable (part of the Dunstable Team Ministry), diocese of St Albans.

The Rev J J Marsden, Curate of St Mary, Leigh, diocese of Manchester, to be a member of the Kent Industrial Chaplaincy team, diocese of Rochester.

The Rev F Millar, Rector of Tendring with Beaumont-cum-Moze and Little Bentley, diocese of Chelmsford, to be Rector of Riverhall and Silver End, same diocese.

The Rev M R C Price, Vicar of Worley, diocese of Sheffield, to be Rector of Hook Norton with Great Rollright, Swerford and Wigginton, diocese of Oxford.

The Rev I G Prior, Assistant Curate of Christchurch, Luton, diocese of Rochester, to be Anglican Team Vicar of the Broadfield ecumenical area in Southgate, Crawley, diocese of Chichester.

The Rev H S Ringrose, Vicar of St George with Whaddon, Gloucester, diocese of Gloucester, to be Rural Dean of Gloucester City, same diocese.

The Rev J E Scott, Vicar of Ellistown, diocese of Leicester, to be Team Rector, Ravenlngham Group of Parishes, diocese of Norwich.

The Rev A G Seabrook, Rector of St Mary Bitterley with Middleton, and priest-in-charge, Hopton Cangeford, Stoke St Milborough (St Milburga), with The Heath, Clee St Margaret (St Margaret), and Cold Weston, Ludlow, diocese of Hereford, to be Rector, uniting those benefices.

The Rev J A Skipper, Vicar of Sutterton with Wigtoft, diocese of Lincoln, to be priest-in-charge of Tidworth, diocese of Salisbury.

The Rev J Slater, Vicar of St Saviour, Warwick Avenue, diocese of London, to be Vicar of St John's Wood Church, same diocese.

The Rev J L Smith, Team Vicar of Great Grimsby, diocese of Lincoln, to be Vicar of St Andrew, Wolverhampton, diocese of Lichfield.

Archaeology

Temple tomb of a princess

Excavations in the tomb of the Egyptian Princess Tia, sister of the Pharaoh Rameses II, have uncovered an unusual temple-like layout with well preserved carvings and paintings more than three thousand years old. Although the tomb had been looted centuries ago, some of the furnishings remained to indicate its royal quality.

The tomb was built entirely of limestone blocks, and is freestanding on the surface of the desert. Above ground the monument consists of a forecourt, portico, ceremonial entrance gateway (the cornice originally inscribed with the name of Rameses II, the supposed Pharaoh of the time of Moses), an open courtyard, a second court with a colonnade, an antechapel flanked by side chapels, a cult room, and finally a pyramid.

The pyramid is unique in a tomb of this type. Its capstone or pyramidion was once in private hands in England, but has been lost to sight since the early eighteenth century, when it was depicted in line drawings. It is hoped that it will surface again, now that the tomb from which it derived has been located and publicized. The pyramidion was of granite, and stood about 2ft 6in high.

The tomb itself, though partly dismantled in antiquity, has a number of other unusual features, architectural and decorative. An inscription found this season shows that it was given to Tia (and her like-named husband) by Rameses the the Great "as a monument for his father Osiris".

Such a dedication is familiar only from temple texts, but in fact the tomb of Tia and Tia resembles an Egyptian temple in plan (as does the adjoining tomb of Horemheb, regent of Tutankhamun, discovered by the expedition in 1975), and a number of reliefs found on the walls and loose in the debris of the courtyards and rooms are markedly religious in content.

The royal family, Tia and her husband, and their two daughters, are shown offering to the gods, an element of decoration emphasized to an unusual degree in a private monument.

One practically intact chapel was dedicated to the cult of the Apis bull, another unque feature for a tomb. The walls here show processions of deities, brightly painted, and one extremely lively scene, reminiscent of the art of the preceding Armarna period (the time of Akhenaten and Nefertiti) shows the princess and her husband in their state barge, being towed on the Nile to the ancient religious site of Abydos in southern Egypt. Their horses are on board, and sailors are shown clambering about in the rigging.

The plan of the main shaft of the substructure indicates that the entire family of Tia and Tia were once buried here. Fragments of funerary furnishings were found, including pieces of the fine granite sarcophagus of the husband, and a magnificent alabaster funerary figurine (shabti), inlaid with strips of glass. The tomb was in effect a royal one, and must originally have contained quantities of splendid objects, mostly plundered and dispersed in antiquity.

The main object of the work of the expidition, sponsored jointly by the Egypt Exploration Society and by the Leiden Museum in The Netherlands, is systematically to reveal the necropolis of the eighteenth and nineteenth dynasties (fourteenth and twelfth centuries BC) attached to the ancient capital Memphis. Here must have been buried many members of the royal family and high ranking officials, as well as their dependants.

The royal family in the early years of the reign of Rameses the Great was small, and the princess and her husband must have been important and influential figures at court.

Two at least of their own household were buried in their tomb. One was named Iurudef, and the expidition cleared his tomb shaft this winter, to find that it had been reused for later burials. Rooms opening to north and south at the bottom are stacked with wooden coffins, some inscribed and decorated, and completely undisturbed since they were put there about the fifth or fourth century BC.

The discovery of intact burials is extremely rare, especially in the Memphite cemetries, and these could be of great significance for the study of funerary archaeology in a neglected period of Egyptian history.

A seperate campaign of work will be necessary to remove and conserve the coffins and their contents (which will doubtless include funerary papyri and amuletic material) after the completion of a study season at the site next year.

Dr Geoffrey T. Martin
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Appointments in the Forces

Royal Navy

CAPTAIN: N C Baird-Murray MOD, as Secretary, Chief of Staff Committee, June 10.
SURGEON CAPTAIN: H B Blackstone, NELSON for staff of CINCNAVHOME, June 21, and as Command Medical Officer, June 24.
COMMANDERS: J R Smith, MOD on staff of DGNMT (DNETS), June 1; T J H Gedge, CENTURION for NP 1242 as DCHM and DNSNOFL, July 4; M J Kitchin, SULTAN as Training Commander (Career Training), October 7; R H Nicholas, NELSON for Staff of CNH as Command Education Officer, September 20; G S Pearson, TAMAR as XO, October 31.
CHAPLAINS: The Rev J P Ames, RALEIGH and for duties FISGARD, August 17; the Rev G Lavender (RC), COCHRANE and of Staff of FOSNI and for HM Dockyard and gen Forth area, and in charge of RC Christian Leadership Courses at St Vincents Centre, Langbank, and as Area Co-ordinating RC Chaplain, October 4; The Rev W R Brown (RC), FOF 3 and for duty in Ships of the 3rd Flotilla, October 4; The Rev R J Clancy, Neptune, July 15.
Retirements
REAR ADMIRAL: J K Robertson, July 25.
CAPTAIN: P W R Stearns, July 29.
SURGEON CAPTAIN: H G Knox, QHS, July 23.
COMMANDERS: E D M Floyd, June 17; B H Green, July 17; B Cole, August 1; D L Deakin, July 30; D P Edwards, August 1; J W Hall, July 23.
SURGEON COMMANDER: M D Cotterall, July 28.
MAJOR: P S Waters, December 27 (granted Hon Rank of Lt-Col).

The Army

COLONEL COMMANDANT: Major General William Desmond Mangham, Colonel Commandant Royal Horse Artillery, May 1.
BRIGADIER: M J Perkins, MOD as (PATIA)/Comdt APTC, June 6.
LIEUTENANT COLONELS: N M Braisby QARANC, BMH Hannover as Matron, June 7; J M Clavering SG, LSP Oman as SO1 HQ SAF, June 6; J G M McLuckie R SIGNALS, MOD as SO1, June 8; D M Napier GORDONS, 7 UDR as CO, June 10; J G Williams LI, HQ NI as MA to Comd, June 7; H G Willmore STAFFORDS, 2 MERCIAN as CO, June 6.
CHAPLAIN: S I McGee, RSME Chatham as Chaplain, June 10.
Retirements
BRIGADIERS: D P Ballard CBE ADC (late REME), June 11; D H Hodge (late RA), June 11.

Royal Air Force

WING COMMANDERS (acting rank of group captain): J E Houghton, HQ AFCENT for staff duties, June 10; R Humphrey, RAF Church Fenton as Station Cdr, June 10.
WING COMMANDERS: F M Pearson, CTTO High Wycombe as Wg Cdr AD, June 6; K B Laiton, CFS Leeming as OC Exam Wg, June 6; J Evans, RAF Spadeadam as OC, June 10; D F A Henderson, RAF Bruggen as OC 14 Sqn, June 10; H M Grosse, HQ 1 Gp as Air 2, June 10; P J P Grill, MOD on AMP staff, June 6; D I Dawson, MOD Mov 3, June 6; P J Nutt, RAF Lyneham as OC Eng Wg, June 6; V E G Patten, RAF Cardington as OC 217 MU, June 6.
SQUADRON LEADERS (acting rank of wing commander): D W Gerrard, MOD FP4 (RAF), June 6; R E Pavey, Prestwick as OC Sc ATCC (Mil), June 10; A V B Hawken, HQ STC as Plans 3, June 10.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Mr R C R Goodman to be joint County Court registrar and joint district registrar of the High Court in the Coventry and Northampton groups of courts, from June 20.

OBITUARY

SIR THOMAS PIKE

Former Chief of Air Staff



Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir Thomas Pike, GCB, CBE, DFC, who died on June 1 at the age of 76, was Chief of the Air Staff from 1960 to 1963 and Deputy Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, from 1964 to 1967. These positions were the culmination of a distinguished career in which he had proved himself a successful night fighter pilot during the Second World War, and later himself flew many of the RAF's latest aircraft.

Before becoming Chief of the Air Staff, Pike was Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Fighter Command; and in previous air staff posts he had played an important role in the procurement of new types of jet aircraft for the RAF. At Fighter Command he fought hard to retain an effective manned aircraft force in the missile age, and was often more outspoken in defence of his views than ministers appreciated.

Thomas Geoffrey Pike was born at Lewisham on June 29, 1906, and educated at Bedford School and the RAF College, Cranwell, where he gained his wings and was commissioned in 1925. At the beginning of 1926 he joined No 56 Squadron, which had Gloster Grebes; then he was posted to the Central Flying School for a flying instructor's course, subsequently instructing at No 5 FTS, CFS and No 4 FTS. He attended Staff College in 1937 and in 1938 became Chief Flying Instructor at No 10 FTS. He took up an Air Ministry post just before the start of the war.

In 1941 he commanded No 219 Squadron, which operated Beaufighters from Tangmere in the night fighter role, and was twice awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross in May of that year for his skill and leadership. He destroyed one enemy aircraft on his first patrol to win the first and soon afterwards three more to win a Bar.

He then served at HQ No 11 Group and commanded North Weald, and in mid-1943 (by now a Group Captain) was posted to the Middle East where he became SASO at Desert Air Force HQ. In June of that year he was mentioned in despatches, and in 1945 he was made Officer of the US Legion of Merit. In 1946 he was made CB(Mil).

His first post-war appointment was as Director of Operational Requirements (A). He attended the Imperial Defence College in 1949 and the following year became AOC No 11 Group, Fighter Command, as an air vice-marshal. In 1951 he had his first Nato appointment when he took up the post of Deputy Chief of Staff (Operations) at Allied Forces Central Europe. In mid-1953 he came back to London as Assistant Chief of Air Staff (Policy), before becoming Deputy Chief of the Air Staff in November 1953 as an air marshal.

Pike was appointed AOC-in-C Fighter Command in July, 1956, and held that post until the end of 1959. On January 1, 1960, he became Chief of the Air Staff, being made GCB in 1961 and in 1962 promoted to Marshal of the RAF. On giving up that post he became Deputy Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, where he came under General Lyman Lemnitzer. Throughout his career, Pike took a close interest in the technical side of flying, so that in addition to his flying skills he was able to confer on equal terms with aircraft manufacturers. He was a man given to a great deal of reflection before he acted; once he had marshalled the facts to his own satisfaction his views were put forthrightly.

He married in 1930 Kathleen Althea, daughter of Major H. Elwell. They had a son and two daughters.

MRS J. O. HAMBRO

Mrs J. O. Hambro, who was from 1964 chairman of the National Society for Cancer Relief, died on June 2.

By her total commitment and devotion to the work of the society for over 25 years, Elisabeth Hambro made a major contribution to the development of cancer care in this country. As Duchess of Roxburghe she served as chairman of the Scottish Committee for some years, and on the retirement of the founder, Mr Douglas Macmillan in 1964, she succeeded him as chairman of the society.

During the following ten years, she travelled extensively to develop the local committee structure and laid the foundation for the expansion of the society's work which took place. During this initial period in office, she was successful in enlisting the support of Sir Michael Sobell whose generosity contributed significantly to the society's growth.

In 1973, although forced to assume a less active role owing to the illness of the Duke of Roxburghe, who died in 1974, she recognized the need to broaden the activities of the society and several new services were introduced.

Twelve Continuing Care Homes were built on National Health hospital sites and major grants given to other charities enabling six other homes to be built, providing in-patient care for 400 people. Home Care Nursing Services were initiated to take specialist care of the terminally ill into their homes. An education programme was begun to ensure an availability of trained staff and to help bring the latest techniques in terminal care into general hospitals where most cancer patients are cared for.

Mrs Hambro's personal contribution to this new direction of the society's work was even more remarkable when viewed in the light of her continuing struggle against cancer over the past five years.

She is survived by her third husband, Mr Jocelyn Olaf Hambro, MC, chairman Hambros Ltd, whom she married as his second wife in 1976.

MR DONALD GRAMM

Donald Gramm, the American bass-baritone, died on June 2 in New York. He was 56. Gramm's career was principally in the United States and over the past thirty years he had sung regularly at the Metropolitan and New York City operas as well as being familiar with most other main opera venues in the country.

Gramm was born in Milwaukee on February 27 1927 and studied at the Wisconsin College-Conservatory of Music between 1935 and 1944. His opera debut, at the age of 17, was as Raimondo in Donizetti's *Lucia di Lammermoor* at the 8th Street Theater of Chicago, and he subsequently continued his studies at the Chicago Music College and with Martial Singher at the Music Academy of the West in Santa Barbara, California.

In 1951 he made his New York debut in Berlioz's *L'enfance du Christ* with the Little Orchestra Society and in the following year he first sang (as Colline in *La Boheme*) at the New York City Opera where he was to appear regularly over the next 10 years. From 1958 he also sang, in generally more substantial roles, with the Boston Opera and he also appeared with the Santa Fe Opera.

His debut at the Met where he began in relatively small parts, was in 1964 but he eventually assumed major roles there, too, including the Doctor in *Wozzeck*; Papageno in *The Magic Flute* and Leporello in *Don Giovanni*.

Excursions abroad included performances with the Opera Nacional of Mexico, at the Spoleto Festival, Aix-en-Provence and Glydebourne where he sang Nick Shadow in 1975 and Falstaff in 1976.

Among American premieres in which he participated were Carl Orff's *Der Mond*; Martinu's *The Marriage*; Berg's *Lulu* and Verdi's *Don Carlos* in the original French version.

Though not possessed of a voice of great power, Gramm was noted for the sensitivity and fidelity of his interpretations, as well as for the quality of his acting.

PROF SEIICHI TOHATA

Professor Seiichi Tohata who died recently in Tokyo at the age of 84 was one of the most eminent economists in Japan. He pioneered the scholarship of agronomy in Japan and was one of the earliest advocates of the use of modern economic analysis in relation to Japanese agriculture.

Tohata was born in 1899 and studied economics at Tokyo University and at Harvard University where he studied under Joseph Schumpeter whose influence was lasting; Tohata later translated his teacher's magnum opus, *The Theory of Economic Development*.

The publication of *The Process of Agricultural Development in Japan* in 1936 immediately established him as an authority on the history and contemporary state of agrarian economics.

His interest in economic activities was, however, not confined to agriculture, while his liberal thought and integrity of mind attracted many people beyond the academic world. When Mr Shigeru Yoshida formed his first cabinet it was reported that he urged Tohata to become Minister of Agriculture, but that the latter politely declined this invitation.

In his later years he nevertheless played important policy roles as an adviser to or chairman of many Governmental committees, some most prominent ones included chairman of the Committees on Agricultural Policies, on Fixing Rice Prices, on the Investigation of the Tax System.

He also supervised the translation of Joseph Needham's *Science and Civilisation in China*.

Brewing

Top executives of virtually every brewing company in Europe are attending the 19th International Congress of the European Brewery Convention which opens today at London's Royal Festival Hall

Like the rest of the drinks sector, Britain's brewing industry has been through three difficult years, even though profits have held up remarkably well. There could now be a new turn of events. A big investment programme to make pubs more attractive is one factor as the brewers counter the attractions of other leisure interests.

The Brewers' Society expect sales to stabilise this year at 1982 levels, with a rise of about 0.5 per cent next year. The unpredictable factor is the weather this summer. The spring is likely to have hit sales.

Another question mark is the outcome of the General Election. A Labour win could result in price controls and the trend in brewers' profitablility could be upset.

How far proposed European Commission regulations will change the present system by which brewers sell wines, spirits and soft drinks to their tenanted pubs remains to be seen. The threat would be even more pronounced were the regulations to overturn existing profit sharing arrangements in the extensive takings from prize-giving fruit machines.

The EEC regulations have implications for brewers on the Continent – but that is one European issue which will not be ventilated at the European Brewery Convention's (EBC) biennial Congress which, for the first time in 32 years, is being held in London this week.

The EBC coordinates scientific cooperation in the brewing and the malting industries. Yesterday's opening ceremonies, beginning with an across-London parade of a score of dray horse teams from British breweries, are being followed by a series of working sessions and technical visits throughout this week.

At the congress, organized by the Institute of Brewing, a wide range of research topics will be explored. These include product safety problems such as those posed by crop pesticides and nitrogenous elements in water from fertilisers.

There are also new developments in genetic engineering to develop new yeast strains.

For consumers, some of the research work could mean improved products. For the brewers, there could be cost benefits, if only in the longer term.

It is immediate difficulties which are preoccupying the British brewing industry, but there are now better omens.

Beer sales, estimated by Mintel at £6,800m last year, accounts for over half of the total drinks market of £11,750m. This was virtually the same as the year before, price rises having been counterbalanced by the fall in sales volumes and an increasing switch to off-licence sales, including the supermarkets.

Beer sales have declined 12 per cent since the peak year of 1979, though in the first quarter of this year production at 8.3m bulk barrels was 0.5 per cent up on the same quarter of last year.

Only a slight improvement, but the Brewers' Society described it as a good sign.

It could be an indication of a new trend, even if bad summer weather reverses it temporarily. The longer-term problems facing the brewers include the effects of recession, particularly high unemployment. This is a special problem for small, localised breweries.

Another problem is how to attract customers whose drinking habits have been changing. A recent Mintel survey* of the alcoholic drinks market showed there is less heavy drinking, partly because of the breathalyser. Drinking is now likely to be more widespread.

Greater support for the retail trade

The brewers' new investment plans are aimed at coming to terms with these difficulties. Over and above regular expenditure on maintenance and decoration Britain's 80 brewers are now committed to spending £850m on the 49,000 pubs which they own in the three years to the end of 1985.

Overall support for retailing activities will be £1,180m, 75 per cent of brewers' total capital investment planned over the three years. It is a big change from the 46 per cent spent on the retailing side in the late 1970s when the brewers were building up their production capacity and distribution systems.

Free-house pubs, independent of the brewers, and clubs will get their share of support, mainly by way of loans. Brewers' spending there will total £175m over the three years.

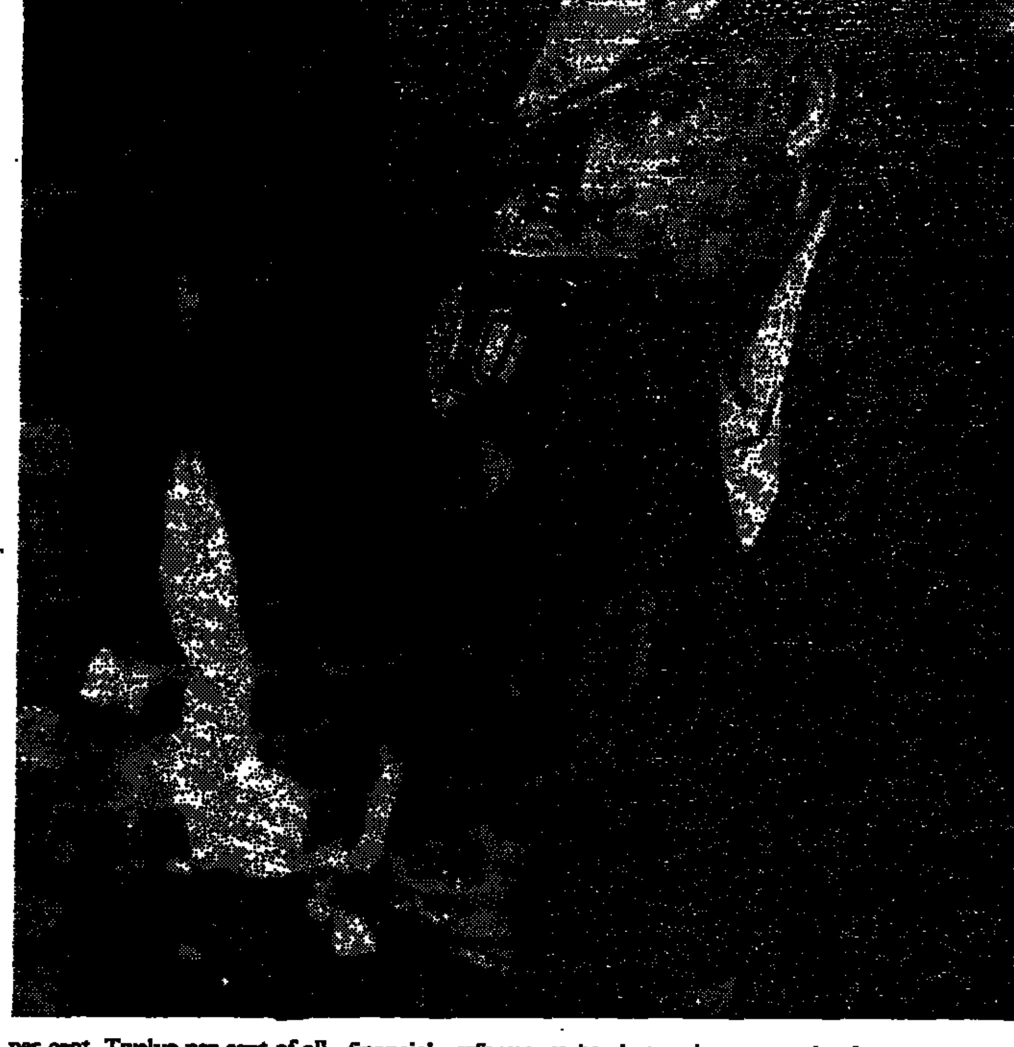
This scale of investment on the retailing side has led Mr Charles Tidbury, chairman of the Brewers' Society (and also chairman of Whitbread), to describe 1983 as likely to be a landmark year for the pubs. He said: "better amenities, brighter decor, tastier grub, slicker service, more efficient cellars – whatever it is the locals want the local is where they will find it."

He added: "By setting out deliberately to attract a bigger share of our trade back into pubs we are helping ensure the future prosperity of thousands of small businesses."

The brewers as a group are also resuming national advertising. The £1m promotion, whose punch line is "You should've been in the pub last night", employs mainly poster sites and radio advertising.

Advertising expenditure on beer by individual companies has also rocketed. Industry estimates suggest that in the first quarter of this year media advertising of beer of all kinds grew by 53 per cent on annual comparison to nearly £13.5m. Although advertising on lager has risen to nearly £5m, that is still only an 11 per cent increase. The overall figure has been swollen by Guinness's big promotion on its "Guinnless" campaign.

Apart from the decline in overall beer sales, there is also the continuing swing to off-licence purchases, mostly for home consumption. Ten years ago, off-licences accounted for 20 per cent of all alcohol sales; now the proportion is over 28 per cent. Twelve per cent of all beer sales are made in off-licences, mainly supermarkets.



Up to a point the bigger role played by supermarkets has increased sales for the brewers, though the profit margins are often much slimmer in this part of the take-home trade.

The rate of increase in lager sales had been easing but statistics due out soon are likely to show that lager now accounts for 33 per cent of the overall beer market, up from 31 per cent.

The problem could be that the increase here has come largely from higher sales of cheaper lagers and mostly through the supermarkets rather than other outlets where lager's premium price (and thus better profit margins) has been most in evidence.

City opinion on the brewers' financial performance has been brightening.

London brokers Grenfell & Colegrave say that as Budget

Recovery prospects described as "very positive"

changes work through and add to disposable income, the brewers will see an increase in volume sales. This, when added to cost-saving measures, such at the closure of less efficient breweries and reductions in the workforce – will generate a significant level of real profits, Grenfell & Colegrave say.

Mr Neil Scourse at brokers Fielding, Newson-Smith, who is a leading drinks analyst, says recovery prospects are "very positive".

Regional and smaller brewers have mostly been reporting encouraging results. In the last calendar year, Adnams of Southwold, Suffolk, increased its sales by 20 per cent and pre-tax profits by 30 per cent. Even in the depressed North-East, Vaux had good results, partly the result of diversification, but also because it has increased its sales of packaged beers outside its area

The drive to increase the appeal of the local is crucial in the battle for higher sales. The lesson is being learned that good pub food – with a much wider range available, thanks to the advent of the microwave oven – brings in more customers.

*The Alcoholic Drinks Market, 1983: *Mintel Publications, 7 Arundel Street, London WC2R 3DR: £345.*

Derek Harris
Commercial Editor

UK majors

Brighter pubs to pull in the quaffers

To Britain's major brewers the attempts made in recent years by the "real ale" campaigners to educate the public beer drinking tastes have at best been minor irritations. Far more potent in affecting ouput and profits has been the recession and the burden of the beer tax.

According to the Brewers' Society, the market for cask conditioned beer - about 16-17 per cent of total beer sales in the United Kingdom - has remained relatively unchanged for 20 years. But the impact of national ecomomic change has bee widespread.

Last year, beer production in the UK was 36,531,896 bulk barrels, down 3.1 per ent on the 1981 figure and the lowest annual output since 1972. Brewers made an average of 28.8m pints a day compared with 29.7m pints a day in 1981 and 31m pints in 1980 and 32.5m pints in 1979.

The society, which represents almost the entire brewing industry, made no reference, in commenting on 1982's poor performance, of the impact of competitive beverages or of any change in drinking habits.

It said: "For the third consecutive year, beer production has fallen and 1982's output was 11-12 per cent below the peak calendar year of 1979. This reflects the high level of unemployment, particularly in heavy industrial areas, and the continuing economic recession.

"These factors inhibit our customers' spending. The fourth quarter figures indicate that the underlying trend still remains downwards but at a somewhat slower ate. There are signs that the trade could level out in 1983, especially if there is respite from the excessive beer tax burdens imposed in recent years".

However, some observers of the brewing scene are not conviced that the industry has been that badly hit by economic gloom. Dun & Bradstreet, the business statistics company, said in a report in April that the results of a random sample of both large and small brewers showed that few appear to have been financially vulnerable during the three years to the end of 1981.

"In 1979 and 1980 the analysis indicates that about 94 per cent of companies showed signs of being completely solvent with 6 per cent slightly vulnerable and in 1981 all companies appeared to be stable."

It added: "The brewing industry often complains that it has felt the effects of recession over the past few years, but this analysis indicates that it has held up remarkably well. This may be a reflection that the brewers' profits are now derived less from the production of beer and more from the sale of food and other beverages."

There are seven major brewers in the UK which together account for three-quarters of the nation's output. This is from a total of 78 brewing companies operating 131 breweries, and this, in turn, compares with 96 companies operating 177 breweries in 1970. Since 1971, about 90 very small companies have been formed and some 40 pubs now brew their own ale.

But the big seven continue to exercise the major influence on the market. They are Bass, Allied-Lyons, Whitbread, Grand Metropolitan Watney, Courage, Scottish & Newcastle and Guinness. Not far behind are Greenhall Whitley, the northern-based brewery which now brews in excess of 1m barrels a year and owns more than 1,000 pubs. It also owns the Carlsberg lager brewery at Northampton, which produces more than 1m barrels a year.

Guinness and Bass are, arguably, the best known brand names. Guiness is now claimed to be the most widely available brand of beer in the country, excluding Northern Ireland, and has captured between 4 and 5 per cent of the market by volume. Draught Guinness is on sale in more than 50,000 on-licenced outlets.

In spite of their firm grip on the market, the major brewers are involved in a massive advertising promotion, and capital investment spree costing, in the three years to 1985, a total of £1,580m.

All of them now appear to be returning to the marketing of regional beers in an attempt to persuade drinkers that breweries are making ale specifically for their area and taste.

The latest trend is the emergence of "theme pubs" in which traditional pub premises have been turned to a wide variety of eat-and-drink spots from Parisian-style brasseries with bars serving French food to a singles bar serving Mexican food in London's Fulham Road.

Edward Townsend

EUROPE

Barrels by the million pouring into Britain

The giants among the European brewers have already put their stamp on the British market, partly through direct export to the United Kingdom, and also by licensing British brewers to brew their brands.

Brands such as the German Loewenbrau, Denmark's Carlsberg, and Tuborg, Holland's Heineken, France's Kronenbourg and Belgium's Stella Artois are now familiar products on the bar shelves, in supermarkets and in an increasing number of cases on draught in pubs and clubs.

The attack on the British market is partly because of the increasing popularity of continental-style lagers. But sales in a number of European countries have been faltering, as British brewers' sales have in Britain, so the drive towards exports has been fuelled by spare brewing capacity on the continent.

Total beer imports into Britain have been running at around 1.5m bulk barrels a year – a barrel contains 36 gallons – and account for rather less than 4 per cent of beer drunk in Britain. But two thirds of this is stout coming over from the Republic of Ireland. West Germany is the next largest foreign supplier, with on the latest available count rather less than 400,000 bulk barrels being imported. From Holland comes rather more than 40,000 bulk barrels, and Belgium contributes about another 27,000.

More logical to license other brewers

Because of its bulk, beer is by no means the ideal commodity to export, so licensing other brewers in the country of consumption is often the logical answer.

Whitbread in Britain, for instance, brews both Heineken and Stellas Artois under licence. Carlsberg, which with Tuborg makes up the giant United Breweries in Denmark, has built its own brewery at Northampton, opened in 1974 and subsequently extended with a canning line and more warehousing. It has an annual capacity of around two million barrels. Carlsberg claims 15 per cent of the British lager market and brand leadership in the take-home sector.

The structure of the European brewing industry varies considerably. Britain has 80 brewers, with seven large nationally-spread companies. Belgium, another nation of beer drinkers, has 101 brewers and Holland has 14. But West Germany still has 1,250.

Of all the European markets, the German most likely faces radical change. West Germans still drink more beer per head than any other nation and have a fierce loyalty to local brews. Nevertheless, one projection is that a quarter of the present breweries there will be swallowed in amalgamations within ten years. This is the sort of rationalization which occurred in the British market, when the logic of economies of scale from large brewing concerns with big modern breweries became inescapable.

The German industry is still highly fragmented. Koenig's Pilsener, probably the most popular beer, has only around 3 per cent of the market and even the few larger brewers, including Dortmunder Union Schultheiss, each have 15 per cent of the market or less.

Beer sales in Germany have been as much as 4 per cent down on the peak years of the mid-1970s. By 1981 there was some recovery, but a shift to other drinks, notably wine and Germany's champagne-style Sekt, together with the effect of a healthy-living boom, clearly point to, at best, a sales plateau. The other problem for the Germans is the continued attention being taken by the EEC Commission in their *Reinheitsgebot*, a four-centuries-old Bavarian law laying down standards of purity for beer. The commission believes this is a hindrance to trade and contrary to Treaty of Rome rules. Free importation of foreign beers is being urged.

Competition for the German market

If the Germans lose this protection against imports, it could speed the rate of change in their fragmented industry. A surge of competition, particularly from the Dutch, Danes and British, could be expected.

French beer consumption is only a quarter of Germany's and a third of Britain's, and volume sales have been shading down. More than 20 French brewers have gone out of business in the past decade, leaving 48 still operating. Of these, 27 small brewers account for only 2 per cent of the country's beer output, according to a recent Keynote Publications' survey*.

Seven brewers now account for more than 85 per cent of volume production. The two largest brewers – Brasseries Kronenbourg, with rather more than a quarter market share in France, and Societe Europeene de Brasseries (SEB), with roughly a fifth of the market – are both owned by the big BSN-Gervaise-Danone food and drink group. Union de Brasseries has a 14 per cent market share, and Brasseries Pelforth about 7 per cent. Both are subsidiaries of the Brasseries et Glacieres Internationales group. Among the other large brewers is Brasseries Malteries Motte-Cordonnier, part of the Belgian-owned Sebastien Artois group.

French are looking for quality

Exports are relatively unexploited, although there are notable exceptions like Kronenbourg. But with French beer drinkers becoming discerning, imports have climbed and now account for more than 11 per cent of the market.

The emphasis on quality beers, which has favoured the imports, could spark off in France a movement rather like that of real ale in Britain, says Keynote. That could prove an advantage to the small brewers and there are already signs of a slow-down in imports penetration.

Denmark's Carlsberg and Tuborg have shown the values of exporting and building internationally known brands. More Danish beer is now drunk abroad than in Denmark itself. Both Carlsberg and Tuborg have opened breweries abroad and in a score of countries their lagers are brewed under licence.

Although the two subsidiaries of United Breweries account for around 80 per cent of the Danes' own consumption, there are more than 15 other brewers in Denmark. Among the bigger ones are Faxe, Zealand and Jyske Bryggerier Jutland.

*The Beer Market in France: *Keynote Publications, 28/42 Banner Street, London EC1Y 8QE; £75.*

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SMALL PRODUCERS

Rise of the mini-breweries

As many a saloon bar argument has been settled amicably over a pint of the best, the differences in brewing and marketing philosophy between the big brewers and their smaller competitors have been ironed out with both sides wondering what all the fuss was about in the first place.

There are still some sectors of the valuable real-ale lobby who have misguidedly continued strident criticism of the big brewers, little realizing that directly and indirectly the spread of the mini-brewery and the stability in the small brewery sector owes much to those they criticize.

It was Whitbread with its mini-brewery at the Alford Arms at Frithsden near Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, which first showed that the big battalions are prepared to provide the best of both worlds. The recent decisions by Watney Combe Reid to introduce Ruddles County bitter in many of its tied houses demonstrates the realization that the widest customer choice is preferable to forcing a regimented marketing policy on the drinker.

The spread of mini-breweries throughout the country has been one of the most remarkable developments in the trade in the past three years. From only a handful of pubs having breweries on the premises a decade ago there are now an estimated 100 small breweries, either attached to pubs or supplying the trade within a short radius of the brewery, 49 having opened in the past 18 months.

Although some professional brewers have been disparaging about the quality of some of the beer produced by the minis – the drinker gives them the benefit of the doubt to an extent that he would not with the products of the established brewers, the professionals complain – experience in operating equipment and the

Drinkers may view the production

adoption of a fixed recipe after a period of experimenting has helped the establishment of a colourful new chapter in the history of brewing.

Typical of the development is the chain of five, soon to be seven, pubs operated by David Bruce in London and Bristol. So successful has this brewery-in-a-pub formula been – drinkers can see the brewery operating behind a glass screen – that David Bruce has set up a subsidiary company to produce mini-breweries and has achieved something of an exporting coup by setting up a mini-lager brewery in Bavaria, the heartland of the world lager industry.

Now Watney Combe Reid have followed David Bruce, Whitbread and others into this field. A Watney pub in Pimlico, London, is now brewing its own beer to sell alongside the giant's better-known brands.

And in the Falklands the islanders and the garrison can now enjoy a pint of real ale thanks to a mini-brewery set-up by Everards, the Leicester independent brewer, and run by a local schoolmaster trained by Everards. The RAF even flew out the yeast used in the production of Penguin Ale – "an interesting drop," as described by my *Times* collegue Allan Hamilton, who was recently in Port Stanley.

However, it is the independents who form the backbone of the brewing industry, despite having their ranks reduced by merger and rationalization since the war. Those that are left are now better able to withstand take-over attempts and to provide the regional choice in beer, and not just the real variety, that customers demand.

All regard real ale as the mainstay of their business but also meet the needs of those pubs and clubs which can only handle keg products because of cellarage problems and of those customers who prefer keg and bottled beers. Most independents also produce their own lager, not produced by the technically correct bottom-fermentation method, but by a version of the traditional British top-fermentation process.

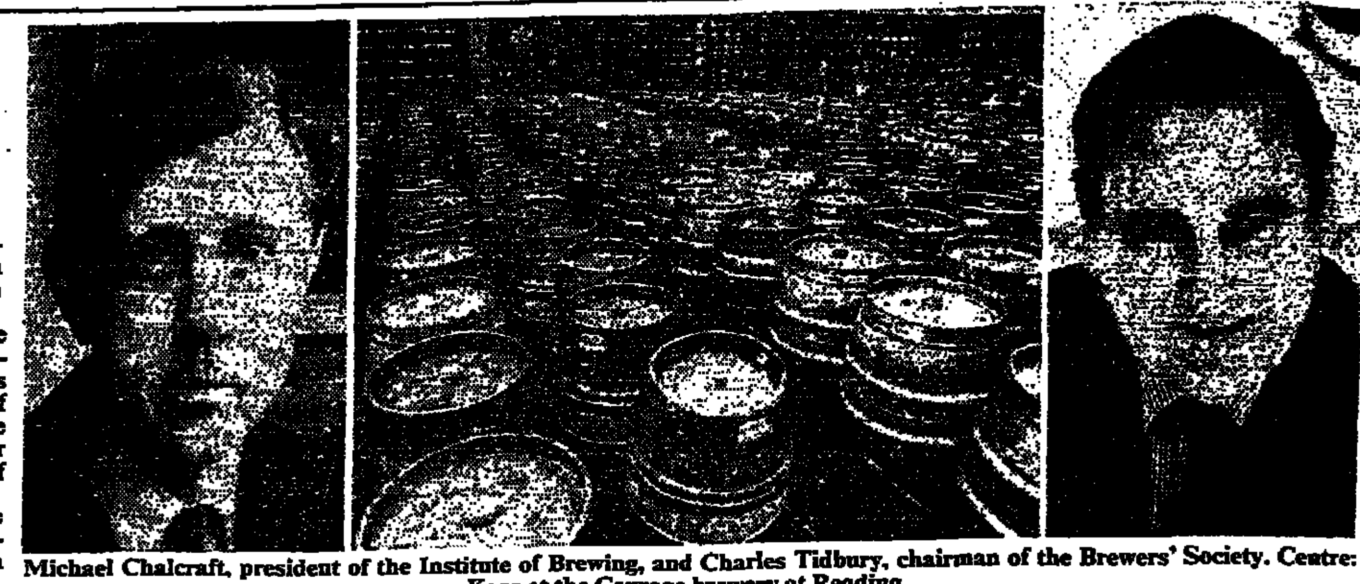
At the forefront of the independents who have projected their image as producers of quality products by the use of modern marketing methods are Ruddles of Langham, near Oakham, and Boddingtons of Manchester.

Ironically, Boddingtons have just replaced Ruddles as suppliers of real ales to British Rail's London station buffets, although the two brewers have differing views on the worth of this contract.

Boddingtons see it as an important shop window for their products, especially as 30 pubs in the London area will soon be serving the company's products. Ruddles too, regard the BR station bars as an important outlet, but did not agree with BR's pricing policy.

Ruddles' agreement with Watney Combe Reid is being seen, however, as a bold step by the two companies; one which is likely to be followed by many other regional independent brewers and one which can only be beneficial to the industry as a whole.

Mr Tony Ruddle said: "It is a very enlightened policy of Watneys. The publicans involved are showing enormous enthusiasm and they are all claiming that it is bringing new business."


Michael Chalcraft, president of the Institute of Brewing, and Charles Tidbury, chairman of the Brewers' Society. Centre: Kegs at the Courage brewery at Reading.

The esteem in which the regional brewers are held is reflected in the outcome of the brewing industry's own Brewex 83 competition held recently in Birmingham.

Thwaites Bitter from Blackburn was judged the country's best cask-conditioned bitter and Crown Brewery's Brenin Bitter from South Wales was judged best brewery-conditioned bitter. In the lager section Mansfield Brewery's Marksman beat off the national brands to win best lager and Matthew Brown's Slalom won best bottled lager.

However, it was Davenports, the Birmingham-based independent, which won six of the major awards, defeating competition from over 900 different brews.

The independants have not, however, achieved such a following or higher profit ratios than the big brewers by sticking doggedly to traditional markets and products.

Ruddles, who are now expanding production, have been regarded as something of innovators in beer packaging and most of the other independents have in the past been forced to hone their marketing efforts to such a fine pitch that they have developed fairly sophisticated sales programmes, based on local identity.

If you want to join in, a mini brewery could be built for less than £50,000, producing a best bitter for about 17p a pint. Or you could become the proprietor of a small established Leicester brewery currently on the market for £250,000 complete with its own pub in the next village of Market Bosworth.

David Young

TIED HOUSES

The threat to the local

The tied pub – where a leasing tenant is tied for specified products and service to a brewer who owns the pub – has been a cause for controversy for years. The last big investigation into the system was by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, which after three years of investigating decided that on balance the tie was the best left as it was.

Now the European Commission is in the throes of introducing new rules affecting the tie and Britain's brewers believe that if the Commission goes too far the character of the British Pub could be irrevocably changed with a reduction in the number of outlets.

The number of tenanted pubs operating under the tied system has been declining anyway, although they account for nearly half of all fully on-licensed premises. There are more than 75,000 full on-licensed outlets in the United Kingdom, most of which are pubs.

Brewers own two thirds of these outlets, at the last count amounting to 49,000. In about 14,000 of these the brewers put in mangers and that proportion has barely changed over the past 15 years.

In the same period of time the number of tenanted pubs has declined by a fifth. In the late 1960s there were about 45,000 tenanted pubs but at the last count in 1980 there were barely 35,000. The number has probably declined further since then as more pubs have been sold off by brewers to become "free houses."

The total number of full on-licenses, well over 80,000 until 30 years ago when numbers began to drop, has been showing a marginal rise in the past few years. In 1980 the number crept to more than 76,000.

The irony of the European intervention is that it all began before Britain joined the Common Market and when the focus of the Commission's attention was on Continental forms of brewery contract.

Typically, under these contracts a brewer could specify to the retailer which products to sell and how to do so. The quid pro quo for the retailer was a loan usually paid off over five years while the commitment to the brewers' products might well last ten years.

The nearest approach to this in Britain are loan arrangements by the brewers with free trade outlets, including some of the independently owned pubs and especially full on-licensed clubs which now number around 33,000.

But any agreement on taking a brewer's products operates only for the life of the loan in Britain and the pub or club normally has the option to pay off a brewer if it wants to switch to different patronage.

The unusual factor in Britain is the brewers' owning so many pub properties. In the nineteenth century many were acquired whose proprietors were in debt. But as bigger breweries came on the scene it was a means of ensuring to a reasonable extent a known level of demand for the breweries' products, particularly important with a perishable commodity in which any over-production led to waste and losses to the brewery.

The European Commission's proposed regulations, due to be produced in their final form this month and operating from July, will not upset the tie on draught beer or most packaged beers.

But the fifth draft of the regulations does scrap the tie on wines and spirits and other supplies, like those of soft drinks and packaged snacks. It also affects services supplied by brewers although it is far from clear whether that will imperil the brewers' share of the extensive profits from fruit machines, known in the trade as Amusements With Prizes (AWP) machines.

Brewers and tenants have seen eye to eye about keeping the tie on draught beer. But the Brewers' Society and, for the tenants, the National Union of Licensed Victuallers (NULV) have taken opposing views about the dropping of the tie on the other items.

This dropping of the tie could eventually change the character of Britain's pubs, according to Mr Charles Tidbury chairman of the Brewers' Society and also chairman of Whitbread.

If the partnership between brewer and tenant, the backbone of the pub trade, were

Tenants would have to pay higher rents

seriously disturbed it could eventually erode the whole tenancy system, Mr Tidbury believes. He says: "Tenancy agreements are a carefully structured package. If any part is disturbed there are bound to be consequences for the other parts".

If brewers lost wines and spirits income because tenants bought supplies elsewhere, rents for tenants would be certain to rise. Mr Tidbury adds: "This would probably have an effect on the retailer's prices, including for beer. Brewers might have to review wholesale beer prices".

The NULV on the other hand wants tenants to have freedom of choice in buying. They have complained that tenants could buy wines and spirits supplies elsewhere – even in the local supermarket – more cheaply than from many brewers.

But it is common ground that by no means all tenants, if offered freedom, would opt out of the tie. The wines and spirits tie has already been dropped by some brewers and in one case the drop-out rate was only 30 per cent.

This was largely because separate transport meant extra expense for tenants. For those in remote country pubs, especially, it was advantageous to get all supplies at once when a brewer delivered the pub's beer.

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INGREDIENTS

Making the purest pint

The ingredient of the British pint which is most under threat is the one most often taken for granted.

Industrial pollution, pollution by the farmers who grow the barley that makes the malt that makes the beer, and even the spread of nuclear power is posing a threat to the water supplied to some big breweries.

I do not suggest that brewers should move their production facilities to new water supplies, though this is not as unusual as it seems. Tolly Cobbold, the Ipswich brewery, originally brewed at Harwich and brought water downriver from Ipswich in barges which returned filled with beer. But there is a growing awareness of the need to safeguard the purity and consistency of the water.

The water which gives Burton beers their distinctive flavour is the latest to be under threat. Bass, the best-known of the three major breweries in the town, is taking urgent steps to ascertain just how serious the danger is.

A government committee looking at sites for the dumping of nuclear waste has drawn up a list, one of which is a disused gypsum mine at Tutbury in Staffordshire.

Although Staffordshire County Council would oppose such a development it has, in fact, no power to stop central government from going ahead with the development of such a dump. The brewers are concerned because water drawn from wells in Burton seeps through the gypsum strata at Fauld and Tutbury, absorbing the minerals and salts which give their beers their well-loved flavour and has added the word "Burtonising" to the vocabulary of water treatment.

However, while little can be done to change the character of beer's most basic ingredient, the other two major components – malt and hops – are subject to constant research and development to ensure their highest quality.

Much of the research into barley has been carried out at the Brewing Research Foundation in Surrey. Farmers and maltsters are advised on such matters as dormancy, water sensitivity and nitrogen content. Research into germination and enzyme development has allowed the maltsters to introduce new methods of producing malted barley more economically and with less waste.

Now it is up to the farmers and the maltsters, whose fields and maltings dominate the agricultural landscape up the east coast of England and Scotland, from Essex and Suffolk to the Straths of Deeside in Scotland. The weather will play an important part in quality of the crop, but so far there is little indication that the brewing industry will not take less than a million tons of malted barley this year.

While the brewers usually buy their malt from local maltsters, a more structured marketing system applies. This guarantees the brewers a definate quality and the producers a market price based on a valuation by a panel under the aegis of the Hops Marketing Board. The panel consists of the Board's crop manager, a hop factor who represents the growers and a buyer representing the brewing industry. Hops are valued anonymously and there is an appeals procedure which can iron out an eventual disagreements.

As the hops come in from the fields of Kent, Hereford and Worcestershire – picked mechanically rather than by cheery East Enders as in the past – they are stored at the board's various warehouses.

Two samples are taken from every tenth pocket or bale of hops sent in. One sample goes to the hop factor handling the sale and one to the potential buyer. The factor also ensures that the hops come up to EEC standards.

After various samples have been examined the crops are sorted for inspection by the Board's panel, which takes into account how well the hops have been picked and dried and the presence of any disease. The panel then grades the hops as Choicest, Grade 1 or Grade 2, with the buyer or seller being able to challenge the grading through a review panel or ultimately before an independant appeal committee.

However, the hop industry is not content to rest on its laurels – or bines – and is constantly researching ways of improving its service to the brewers, although in some cases the result of that research does not find universal favour.

A case in point is the development of pelleted hops and the production of hop extract. Some brewers have adapted to these products readily but many others are opposed to them. The hop industry is not upset by that, rightly realizing that the diversity of beers and brewing traditions in Britain is what has kept it vital and forward looking.

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Which goes a long way to explaining why their lagers' praises have been sung in recent lager competitions.

At Brewex '83 it won first prize in the U.K. draught lager class for products between 1030° and 1037° with Wrexham Draught Lager.

In the UK draught lager class for products between 1038° and 1043° it gained second prize with draught Lowenbrau.

And in the international bottled lagers competition, for lagers between 1044° and 1056° with a field of 64 entrants from all over the world, the brewery gained second prize with Skol Special Strength.

National brands. Aren't they having a flat time of it?

Quite the contrary.

Long Life, our renowned brand leader in England and Wales, has increased its market share in the packaged light, pale and export market.

(No mean achievement when you consider the competition in the premium quality sector.)

Skol remains Allied Breweries' biggest brand, having consolidated its position as the best known lager in the UK and one of the most famous beer brands in the world.

And bearing in mind the trend towards the low gravity products in the lager market, we're delighted with the rise and rise of our premium quality Lowenbrau range.

As Lowenbrau's UK agents, we can proudly say that it's brewed to the Reinheitsgebot – the strict system of quality control exercised in Germany.

And we can proudly add that there's a handsome increase in Lowenbrau sales since last year.

A flat time of things? Not for our brands at any rate.

Are our 'take-home' beers being taken home?

In one of the fastest-growing sectors of the market we're delighted to report that we have the fastest-growing company.

Namely, Allied Breweries Take Home Limited.

Within the last year it has achieved market leadership in England and Wales.

The Oranjeboom boom.

As you've seen, reintroducing well-loved brews to their former markets has been a particularly successful policy of ours in Britain.

But it's also met with success abroad, too.

You only have to consider the story of Oranjeboom.

When we acquired the Oranjeboom brewery in Rotterdam in 1968, Oranjeboom had been withdrawn from the Dutch market and retained merely for sales overseas.

But, when we relaunched it a few months ago, such was the surge of demand from hundreds of local licensees, that they formed queues outside the brewery's order office.

The return of the satisfied customer.

We hope you've enjoyed our rather circuitous journey.

We hope you have the chance to sample a good few of the brews we've passed along the way.

We hope, too, you'll find evidence to support our claim that we are closer than ever before to the heart-beat of our customers.

Close enough, literally, to overhear their requests at the bar.

Be it for traditional beers, conviviality, food or entertainment.

We're immensely proud of what we've achieved.

Quite clearly our policy is the right one.

Because last year, when beer consumption went down, guess what happened?

Allied sales went up.



ALLIED BREWERIES

Stock Exchange Prices

Capitalization and week's change

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Begin Today. Dealings End, June 17. § Contango Day, June 20. Settlement Day, June 27.
§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days.
(Current market price multiplied by the number of shares in issue for the stock quoted)



BRITISH FUNDS

Stock out-standing £	Stock	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Int only Yield	Gross Red Yield
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SHORTS — [illegible]

MEDIUMS — [illegible]

LONGS — [illegible]

COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN

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LOCAL AUTHORITIES

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DOLLAR STOCKS

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
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BANKS AND DISCOUNTS

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BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES

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COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

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I—N [illegible]

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INSURANCE

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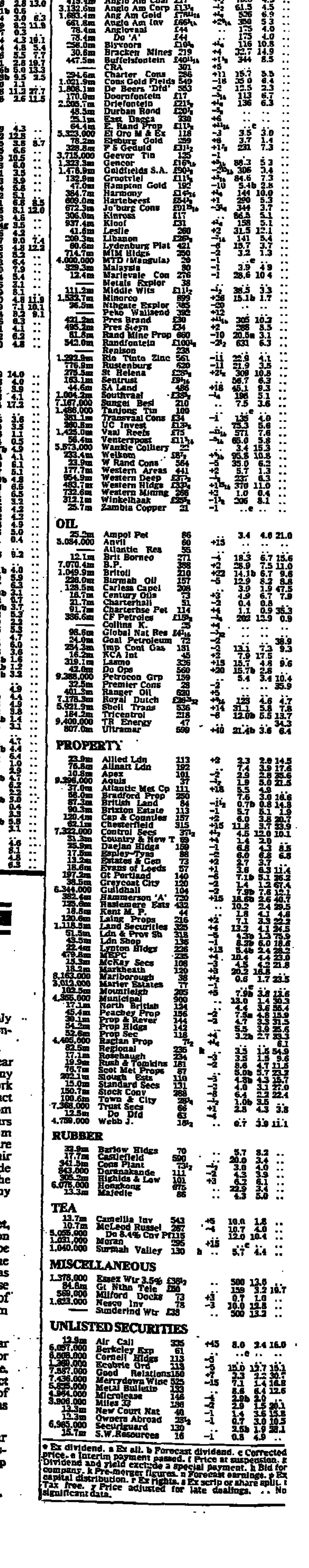
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MISCELLANEOUS

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UNLISTED SECURITIES

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THE WEEK AHEAD | by Our Financial Staff

Election dominates cheerless markets

The election will inevitably dominate the markets this week. For the stock market at least that is probably just as well, there being very little company news of any significance. Only two leading companies report figures – Pilkington Brothers and Reed International. The news fronm both will be poor by comparison with the previous year.

Reed, with full-year figures tomorrow, was already £16m adrift at the pretax level at the nine-month stage and the eventual out-turn is unlikely to show a surplus of much more than £55m against £89.7m last time.

The group has been hit hard by overcapacity in the North American newsprint market. This led to a $30-a-tonne cut in the price of newsprint last November. Though the group's newspaper interests – Reed owns the *Daily Mirror* should show a good increase in profits and other publishing activities show continued strength, packaging activities are likely to show a severe downturn.

There is clearly going to be significant recovery in Reed's profits during the current year but this may not show through strongly until the second half.

Pilkington Brothers, whose pretax profits were 30 per cent down at £16m halfway, has been suffering heavily from imports which have hit volume and cut deeply into margins. Full-year figures on Friday will be hard pressed to more than double the half-year figure. The pofits will compare with £53.4m last time, a figure that was itself a third down on the year before.

Nothing seems to be going right for the company. Recessionary pressures have come at a time when licensing fees – always an important contributor to profits are falling strongly as major float glass manufactures overseas fall out of the patents net.

But it is not all gloom and doom this week. Half-year figures on Wednesday from Westland, the helicopter manufacturer, are going to be good.

They could double to £12m. Such forecasts are subject to the proviso that Westland's figures – particularly those at the interim stage – are exceptionally difficult to predict. Westland has adopted a highly conservative accounting policy of providing for everthing that looks in the least bit untoward and taking the bulk of profit only upon completion of the contract.

But though profits this year will look bouyant the company faces a serious absence of work in 1984. Talk of a big contract for Sea King helipcopters from India has helped allay fears about this vacuum and did som good to the company's share price last week. The Paris air show would appear to provide an opportunity to announce the contract which the company desperately needs.

Half-year figures from Comet, the electrical goods retailer, on Thursday are also going to be good. The persistence of the consumer spending boom has led analysts to repeatedly revise their forecasts to a doubling of pretax profits to £8m or £9m excluding property surpluses.

This would point to full-year figures of perhaps £13m or more against £7.4m last time. To some extent this will reflect a recovery from the losses of diversified businesses, such as jewelry.

The week also sees full-year figures from Martin the Newsagent today and the 600 Group on Thursday.

Jeremy Warner

ECONOMIC VIEW

Pound retains strong sentiment

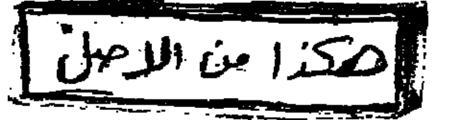
Sterling's sharp drop on Friday gave the markets a bit of a fright but the underlying sentiments remain strongly in favour of the pound and most analysts expect it to continue strong next week and after the seemingly inevitable Conservative victory.

Nor do the statistical numbers out this week look likely to provide the Government with any great anxiety.

Chief interest in the City, However, will focus on the May money supply figures released tomorrow. Here the analysts have drawn themselves up into two opposing camps. One believes that money growth will again be overly-rapid, pushing the aggregates further above target and pointing to some tightening of policy after the election. The other believes the April surge was due to a one-off government spending spree and that the May figures will show signs of slowdown.

Also out tomorrow are the wholesale price indices for May, which will provide a useful indicationof the likely course of inflation later this year, final retail sales and credit business for April, and the first-quarter balance of payments. The last item will be scrutinized in particular by the Labour Party to see how much money has been flowing out of Britian into overseas stocks and shares, one of the political issues of the day. On election day itself Thursday, central government borrowing figure for May is published. This will again be of principal interest to the City, that government spending has subsided in line with plans.

Also out on Thursday are provisional figures for car production in May, followed on Friday by May useable steel production and the lates monthly figures from the building societies.



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STOCK EXCHANGES

FT Index: 698.4
FT Gilts: 82.34
FT All Share: 432.69
Bargains: 18,860
Tring Hall USM Index: 166.6

Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones index 8510.98
Hongkong: Hang Seng index 915.60
New York: Dow Jones Average 1213.4
(Friday's close)

CURRENCIES

LONDON
Sterling $1.5650
Index 85.7
DM 3.9800
FrF 11.9650
Yen 374.25
Dollar
Index 124.7
DM 2.5425
Gold
$412
NEW YORK LATEST
Gold $411.50
Sterling $1.5608
(Friday's close)

INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates:
Base rates 10
3 month interbank $10^{3}/_{8}$ = $10^{1}/_{4}$
Euro-currency rates:
3 month dollar $9^{1}/_{2}$ = $9^{3}/_{8}$
3 month DM$5^{1}/_{2}$ = $5^{3}/_{8}$
3 month $14^{1}/_{2}$ = $14^{3}/_{8}$
ECGD Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period April 6 to May 3, 1983 inclusive: 10.304 per cent.

BOARD MEETINGS

TODAY—Interims: Blyvooruitzicht Gold, Durban Roodeport Deep, East Rand Propietary Mines, El Oro Mining & Exploration Co, Martin the Newsagent. **Finals:** Brownlee, Caffyns, Estates & Agency Holdings, FKI Electricals, Pactrol Electronics, Scott & Robertson.
TOMORROW—Interims: Associated Fisheries, Deelkraal Gold, Doornfontein Gold, Dnefontein Consolidated, Kloof Gold, Lake & Elliot, Libanon Gold, McCorquodale, Venterspost Gold, Vlakfontein Gold. **Finals:** Atkins Bros (Hosiery), Barlows, Brown & Jackson, Property & Reversionary Investments, Reed International, Scotcros, Sketchley, Sumrie Clothes.
WEDNESDAY—Interims: Amec, Westland. **Finals:** Airflow Streamlines, N. Brown Investments, Bulmer & Lumb, Great Portland Estates, Hill Samuel Group, LCP Holdings, Lynton Holdings, Pegler-Hattersley, TR North America Investment Trust, Henry Wigfall & Son.
THURSDAY—Interims: Comet Group, Sidlaw Group. **Finals:** John Beales Associated Companies, B. Elliot, Elswick-Hopper, GT Global Recovery Investment Trust, 600 Group, Valor.
FRIDAY—Interims: Elson & Robbins, Greenfields Leisure, Spring Grove, Tompkinsons. **Finals:** Carless Capel & Leonard, P. Panto, Pilkington Bros, Somic.

DoT denies Trafalgar report

The Department of Trade has denied reports that it had approved the takeover of P & O by Trafalgar House, subject to certain conditions. No such assurance was given, nor could it be given, the DoT said.

The decision on whether the bid could or should be referred to the Monopolies Commission would be taken by the Secretary of State for Trade only after he had considered the advice of Sir Gordon Borrie, director general of fair trading. Sir Gordon has not yet tendered his advice, and is not expected to do so for some days, the DoT said.

● **FMC SHARE SALE:** A big slice of the equity of FMC, Britain's largest meat processing company, will be ofered for sale this week. The National Farmers' Union, a leading shareholder in FMC, is planning to sell its shares to raise money to repay loans. Morgan Grenfell, the bankers, is preparing a prospectus to handle the offer for sale.

● **DEBT WARNING:** More international debt shocks are to come, Mr Geoffrey Bell, a member of the influential Group of Thirty, has warned. Mr Bell said debtor countries needed long-term, interest-free funding under International Monetary Fund supervision. Without such assistance debts would mount and banks might be forced to amalgamate.

● **BONDS ISSUE:** Canada is thought to be planning a bonds issue of perhaps up to Can$1bn next week, according to dealers and analysts in Montreal. They expect the issue will reopen existing bonds maturing in 1986, 1989, 1993, and 2003.

● **CONTRACT WIN:** A £20m contract to supply and instal equipment upgrading 13 universities in South Korea has been won by the Cambridge division of Associated British Machine Toolmakers (ABMTM).

WALL STREET

Growing disquiet over M1

From Maxwell Newton
New York

The American economic recovery is now gathering momentum. The second quarter real gross national product is expected to show an annual growth rate of as much as 7 per cent. The third quarter should show a rise of between 5 and 6 per cent a year.

Retail sales are beginning to bound ahead, as indicated by the buoyant results for the big department store chains for May. Car sales in the third 10-day selling period of May were running at 7.5 million units for domestically produced cars, well up from 6.3 million in March and 6.2 million in April. For May as a whole, the seasonally adjusted rate of sales of domestically produced autos was 7.0 million.

Unemployment is slowly declining: in the past two months 650,000 jobs have been created.

The monetarist thesis – that the boom in money growth since mid-1982 would produce a much more vigorous revovery than expected – has been given strong support as events have unfolded.

The financial markets have begun to show more and more nervousness about the continuance of the expansionary monetary policy that fired this rapid recovery.

Last Friday, despite a modest fall of $400m in money M1, interest rates actually rose after the number was reported.

Since early last month, commodity prices have ceased their rise. The price of gold has fallen sharply, the dollar has risen strongly, bond prices have weakened, and short-term interest rates have gone up.

The financial markets are becoming concerned that this energetic economic recovery will soon be translated into renewed inflation.

Last week, it seemed as if the Federal Reserve might have recongnized the need for a mdoeration in money growth. On Tuesday and Wednesday, the federal funds rate (for overnight money traded between the banks) was allowed to rise above 9 per cent for the first time since the first week of January.

But hopes that this might mean the Fed was taking a firmer hand in the flow of reserves were dashed when, on Thursday and Friday, the funds rate was pushed down to between $8^{5}/_{8}$ and $8^{3}/_{4}$ per cent. The Federal Reserve is having to spend extraordinary amounts of cash in the futile attempt to keep the short-term interest rates structure down.

The markets will not wear it. Since the end of April the Dow Jones industrial average has been stuck around 1,200. Bonds have weakened.

The Federal Reserve is incapable of responding to the urgent policy issues being presented by the combination of a rapid economic recovery and a still expansionary monetary policy.

The Fed is talking with many voices. Last week Mr Preston Martin, vice chairman, said that the Fed was not going to overreact to the high rate of M1 growth.

Within a day, another board member, Mr Lyle Gramley, said that if the recent rate of money growth were maintained, it would be necessary to cause it to slow down, before inflation revived.

Mr Paul Volcker, meanwhile, has eschewed public comments for the time being. His own position is somewhate delicate as it has been widely accepted in the financial markets that he is not going to be reappointed by President Reagan.

Mr Preston Martin is deemed to be campaigning hard for Mr Volcker's job and is said to have a good chance of getting it. Mr Alan Greenspan, the former favourite, is said to have dimmed his chances.

Top investment manager will argue for defence

Tilling set to ward off BTR bid as Prudential takes crucial decision

By Our Financial Staff

Thomas Tilling, the industrial holding company, is almost certain to be successful in fighting off the £660m takeover attempt by BTR.

The bid, the largest industrial takeover ever attempted in Britain, expires on Wednesday. But the leading institutional shareholders who hold the key to the success or failure of the offer are meeting today and tomorrow to make up their minds.

The last few days have seen the tide begin to flow strongly in Tilling's favour. This has been despite the poor trading performance of the group since 1979, in vivid contrast with the sustained growth of BTR.

The biggest boost to Tilling will come this morning when the Prudential – and, in particular, Mr Ron Artus, its investment director – is expected to reject the offer.

Mr Artus had extensive discussions with both sides last week and his decision to give Tilling time to put its house in order is bound to exert an influene on other insitiutions out of all proportion to the Prudential's 2.5 per cent shareholding.

Perhaps even more important, Mr Artus has intimated that he is prepared to discuss his reasoning with other shareholders and explain why he thinks Tilling should be allowed to remain independent.

Yet the takeover battle remains a desparately close one. BTR has spent £150m to buy more than 25 per cent of the group in the market. This is balanced, according to Sir Patrick Meaney, Tilling's chief executive, by pledges of support which he has received, also mounting to 25 per cent.

The battle is for the control of the remaining 50 per cent, and at the weekend both sides were claiming that they had won over this majority.


Meaney: "We deserve the benefit of the doubt"

Both sides have made considerable efforts to swing the institutions to their side. But Tilling appears to have come out slightly ahead, because its adviser, Warburgs, has gone to considerable lengths to stress that it is fully committed to the recovery of Tilling.

Warburgs will take steps to ensure that the promised reforms will be pushed through, and not be quietly forgotten once the bid is out of the way.

This commitment from the merchant bankers seems to have been enough to persuade several waverers to give Tilling and Sir Patrick the benefit of the doubt. I have said to them that we deserve the benefit this time, Sir Patrick told *The Times*.

The institutions were also concerned that the combined stock market value of BTR and Tilling would be less than the performance of the two groups separately, even if the trading performance were better. This would result in a lower asset value appearing in pension fund portfolios – something the managers are naturally anxious to avoid.

The institutions have been pleasantly surprised by the vigour of the Tilling defence, and its forecast of profits of £95m for 1983 against £43.7m last year. This has prompted Fielding Newson Smith, the stockbrokers, to produce a study suggesting that the group should make £122.5m pretax in 1984.

If, however, these forecasts are not met, then Tilling would find itself friendless and totally vulnerable to a renewed takeover attempt next year. Several institutions regard this as an insurance policy which means they can afford not to accept the present bid.

Shareholders have also been impressed by Sir Patrick's willingness to sell off Cornhill Insurance and to float off Intermed, the American medical business as part of the defence.

Economic forecasts say the best is bad

By Michael Prest

A Conservative victory at the polls would be unlikely to produce a sharp change in the country's economic fortunes over the next three or four years, according to a batch of forecasts published over the weekend.

The forecasts indicate that unemployment would remain almost unchanged from the present 3.2 million, growth that would stay relatively slow, and that the Government could find itself increasingly restricted by budgetary and balance of payments difficulties, which might lead to alterations to the medium term financial strategy.

The London Business School, whence came Dr Terry Burns, the Treasury's chief economic adviser, forecasts that the successful implementation of the Conservative manifesto would cut the jobless total by 200,000 by 1986. The average annual growth rate of gross domestic product over the same period would be 2.4 per cent.

But inflation, the business school says, would have fallen too 4.0 per cent a year, compared with an estimated 5.2 per cent for this year. Meanwhile, the public sector borrowing requirements would fall from £8,600m for 1983-84 to £5,000m for 1986-87.

As the table shows, however, a less successful application of Conservative policies could produce inferior results. By 1986 inflation could reach 9 per cent, the unemployment level would be the same, and the gross domestic product growth rate would be 2.1 per cent.

Other forecasts are gloomier. Phillips & Drew and Laing & Cruickshank, both stockbroking firms, foresee lower growth and faster inflation. These differences arise partly from expectations that sticking to the borrowing targets in the medium term financial strategy would prove difficult.

Laing & Cruickshank estimates that borrowing requirement could rise to £11,100m by 1987-98.

All the forecasts agree that expansion in the medium term will be financed largely by consumer spending rather thatn investment. But, depending on the exchange rate, this could suck in imports. Even on the business school assumptions about successful Conservative policies, import penetration would go up from 36.9 per cent this year to 38.6 per cent in 1986.

Forecasts for 1984 after a Conservative election win

	Unemployment (millions)	Inflation (per cent)	Public sector borrowing requirement (£000m) (3)	Gross domestic product (% change)	Balance of Payments (£000m)
London Business School (1)	3.2	4.4	7.2	+2.5	Balance (4)
LBS (2)	3.2	6.4	7.7	+2.0	Balance
Phillips & Drew	3.2	7-7.5	8.8	+1.5-2	Balance
Laing & Cruickshank	3.2	6.4	10.0	+1.5	−2.95

(1) Successful on manifesto policies.
(2) Less successful.
(3) 1984/85.
(4) Estimate February 1983.

Conran looks to USM

By Jeremy Warner

Conran Associates, the large design consultancy business which is part of Sir Terence Conran's Habitat Mothercare retailing empire, may be floated off as a separately quoted public company.

Habitat set up a separate group design organization last year with responsibility for all internal work, leaving Conran Associates relying entirely on outside clients for its work.

Sir Terence admits that it would be a natural next step for the company to follow Fitch and Company, Britain's other leading design consultancy on to the unlisted securities market.

But he adds that the consultancy would first have to establish a longer record of independence from Habitat design work and this would take a few yars.

In its first full year without work from Habitat, the consultancy increased its trading prfits from £490,000 to £546,000. But this relied heavily on the design work it was doing for the Next chain of women's clothing shops set up by J Hepworth, where Sir Terence was chairman.

Sir Terence is known to have been disappointed by the consultancy's failure to win a key design contract from Boots, partly due, it is thought, to the consultancy's association with Mothercare, which Boots regards as a competitor. Thus the consultancy would do better if it were independent.

M & S ends cheap homes plan

By Our Financial Staff

Marks and Spencer has abandoned the scheme which allowed some of its directors to live in expensive homes purchased by the company.

Last year the Post Office pension fund publicly attacked the retailing group because it had spent more than £2m on buying the homes, which it then let to the directors at relatively low rents. It also gave them an option to buy the houses at the original purchase price. The deals were subsequently approved at a shareholders' meeting.

The latest accounts of the stores group, published at the weekend, show that the criticism has struck home. Five of the seven directors named by the pension fund have now bought their homes. And the two others have allowed their purchase options ot lapse.

The houses were sold to the directors at the prices paid by the company when it bought them in 1978 and 1979.

The accounts also show that the directors received substantial pay increases last year.

Toyota 'poised to take over Lotus'

By Our Financial Staff

Group Lotus, the troubled specialist car producer, is on the point of being taken over by Toyota, the Japanese car company, according to unconfirmed reports in London.

Lotus and Toyota signed a long-term agreement to cooperate on engineering and manufacturing in 1971. This was reaffirmed in January after the sudden death of Mr Colin Chapman, the founder of Lotus and its former chairman.

Toyota is now said to have agreed to put £10m into the car company, whose stock market valuation is well under £2m and which has an overdraft of £1.5m. The deal is expected to be announced this month.

The Toyota propoosal comes after the completion last month of a study by Price Waterhouse, the accountants, who were commissioned by Guinness Mahon, the financial advisers to Lotus, to assess the company's prospects and viability.

This report showed that the company could break even in the current year, but its long-term viability depended on the success of its next generation motor car, code named the M90, which is scheduled for launch in mid-1985.

The report highlighted the need for about £7m of development capital for this project.

Mr Fred Bushell, chairman of Lotus, was not available for comment last night.

Hint on Sotheby bidder

The mysterious suitor for Sotheby's the London auction house, may be named this week, according to his merchant bank adviser Lazard Brothers.

The unnamed suitor was announced by Sotheby's directors just as an unwanted bid by Mr Marshall Cogan and Mr Stephen Swid, two New York businessmen, was about to go unconditional.

However, the urgency to agree takeover terms between the board and the new suitor receded when the New Yorkers' £60m bid was referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

But now the suitor is being urged to declare his hand to avoid delays in the commission's investigation.

City Comment

Fitch voters kept in the dark

The long battle between Linfood and Safeway for control of the 106 shops in the Key Markets chain is fast approaching a bitter climax.

Fitch Lovell, the owner of Key Markets, is now in favour of accepting the £40.8m offer for the chain from Linfood, according to the last letter it sent its shareholders.

What is has yet to say publicly, though it has apparently murmured the fact privately, is that it is going to stick with this recommendation in spite of it being supeseded by an offer from Safeway which is £4m higher.

The reason they wish to turn down the extra £4m will no doubt be explained by the Fitch directors to their shareholders before the latter are asked to vote on the issue on Friday – though the not always veiled threat by Linfood to bid for the whole company if it could not have Key Markets perhaps had something to do with it.

Less easy to explain is the length to which Fitch Lovell has gone to try to keep Safeway at arms length in recent weeks having so warmly welcomed the company when it made its first, much lower bid for Key Markets.

It was only yesterday, for example, that Fitch Lovell supplied Safeway with its shreholder register – virtually the last possible moment – and this makes it almost impossible for Safeway to write to Fitch Lovell shareholders to tell them of the existance of their higher offer, and have a hope of influencing them and their proxy votes.

There are perhaps good reasons for the delay. But it still seems odd to ask shareholders to vote on a deal of this magnitude, which involves an effective auction between two powerful adversaries, without giving all sides the right and opportunity to talk direct to the voters.

Ministers gather for critical meeting

'Last chance' for Unctad

By Dessa Trevisan, Belgrade, and Michael Prest

Meetings of international agencies are not commonly preceded by warnings from senior officials that this could be their last gathering if nothing is achieved. But that is the threat facing the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, whose sixth full session opens in Belgrade today.

At a private meeting in London two weeks ago Mr Alistair McIntyre, the deputy secretary-general on Unctad, said that the month-long meeting should at the very least leave those taking part with the feeling that the talks had been constructive. That was a telling retreat from Unctad's previous attitude, regarded by developed countries particularly as too ambitious and strident.

Grand issues will be aired, however, and are indeed inescapable at such a gathering. But the governments of industrialized countries hope that the tone will be less confrontational that at previous, largely fruitless, Unctad meetings and that the talks can be kept reasonably specific.

The view of the developed countries – known as "Group B" in Unctad jargon – is that the meeting should be seen as part of the process of international debate, rather than an end in itself.

Senor Reynaldo Bignone, president of Argentina, and Mrs Indira Gandhi of India are expected to call for greater assistance for developing countries.

Significantly, the Soviet Union and its satellites appear to be showing little interest in the plight of the developing world, and, even more remarkably perhaps, little sign of wishing to exploit their grievances to score a propaganda point against the West.

The Comecon clearly has its own problems. The Comecon summit, which was to have taken place before the Unctad meeting, was postponed because no agreement could be reached within it. For some years a number of members – Romania, Hungary, Bulgaria – have been pressing for changes which clearly call for fundamental political decisions.

So the principal division will be north-south. In a report published in Geneva, Mr Gamani Corea, the Unctad secretary-general, said that proposals to be put to the conference include calls for easier debt repayment terms for developing countries, along with special commodity price supports and the flow of new financial funds.

Developing countries are faced with negative growth combined with an external debt of more than $600,000m, while commodity prices are the lowest in real terms for 45 years. The twin themes of the conference should be development and recovery and whether both the rich and the poor can find common ground and interest in overcoming the present economic crisis.

Possibly the most promising area for discussion within this framework is commodities. Pressure will be on the United States whose signature and ratification of the Common Fund for commodities is essential if it is to come into operation.

The Unctad secretariat is also pushing a new Immediate Action programme intended to give short term support to commodity prices. But as the conference opens the chances of either materializing are slim.

FIXED-INTEREST STOCKS

Stock	Per Cent		Buying Yields Price	Flat	GRY
DEBENTURE STOCKS					
Allied-Ly	7¼	88/93	77¼*	9.51	11.19
Bass	8¼	87/92	83¾	10.00	11.53
BICC	7¾	90/95	75¾	10.27	11.49
Blue Circle	9	92/97	86¼	10.58	11.29
Courtaulds	7	82/87	85¼	8.25	12.09
Delta Gp	10¼	95/99	82¼	11.70	11.87
Eng Prop	9¾	97/02	86	11.31	11.52
Euston Cen	10¾	92/97	92¼	11.44	11.72
F.F.I.(UK)	7¼	89/92	77*	9.32	11.08
Land Secs	9	96/01	82¼	11.09	11.49
MEPC	12	17	106	11.53	11.51
Trusthse	10¼	91/96	93	11.39	11.65
UNSECURED LOANS					
Allied Ly	7¾	93/98	72¼	10.86	11.81
BOC Group	12¼	12/17	101¼	12.33	12.32
Barcl Bank	16	02-07	126¼*	12.69	12.40
Burmah Oil	8¼	91/96	75¼	11.41	12.48
Imp Brew	10¼	90/95	84¼	11.58	11.95
Distillers	7¼	88/93	74¼	9.81	11.78
Distillers	10¼	93/98	94¼	11.31	11.49
Guard Roy	7	86/91	75¼*	9.28	11.58
Imp Chem	7¼	86/91	76¼	9.43	11.80
Imp Group	10¼	90/95	92	11.51	11.86
Midl Bank	14	02/07	111¼	12.62	12.57
Nat West	12¼	04	104¼	12.16	12.18
Reed Inter	7¼	96/01	68¼	11.09	11.92
Tilling	8¼	89/94	78¼	10.89	12.09
Unilever	7¾	91/06	69¼	11.23	11.65
Whitbread	7¼	95/99	68¼	10.60	11.80
BULLDOGS					
Denmark	13	05	98¼	12.89	12.89
Elect de F	12¼	08	103¼	12.39	12.38
Hydro-Queb	12¼	15	102¼	12.78	12.77
Nova Scot	16¼	11	130¼	12.97	12.87
CNA	16	08	125¼	12.63	12.46
TransCan	16¼	07	125¼	13.59	13.47
Cred Fonc	14¼	07	119¼	12.57	12.45
CONVERTIBLE LOANS					
BOC Group	9	01/06	155*	5.851	-1.1
F.F.I.(UK)	7¼	89/92	77	9.88	11.55
Land Secs	9	96/01	81¼	11.04	11.42
MEPC	12	17	103¼	11.60	11.59
Trusthse	10¼	91/96	91¼*	11.40	11.67
UNSECURED LOANS					
Allied Ly	7¾	93/98	71¼	10.80	11.72
BOC Group	12¼	12/17	98	12.50	12.50
Barcl Bank	16	02-07	128¼*	12.85	12.59
Burmah Oil	8¼	91/96	74	11.60	12.70
Imp Brew	10¼	90/95	89¼	11.51	11.86
Distillers	7¼	88/93	72*	9.96	11.99
Distillers	10¼	93/98	91¼	11.61	11.74
Guard Roy	7	86/91	77¼	9.30	11.59
Imp Chem	7¼	86/91	77¼	9.65	12.15
Imp Group	10¼	90/95	90¼*	11.53	11.88
Midl Bank	14	02/07	115	12.70	12.57
Nat West	12¼	04	28¼	12.32	12.30
Reed Inter	7¼	96/01	67¼	11.11	11.93
Tilling	8¼	89/94	81	10.65	12.15
Unilever	7¾	91/06	71	11.22	11.62
Whitbread	7¼	95/99	67¼*	10.59	11.96

Eurobonds prices (yields and premiums)

STRAIGHT DEBT	Price	YTM
Ford 16% 1984	103.250	10.31
C.I.B.C. 14¼% 1984	103.200	9.78
Wells Fargo 15¼% 1984	104.875	10.24
Continental Illinois 14¼% 1984 (EW)	109.00	10.19
G.M.A.C. 16¼% 1984	107.125	10.65
G.M.A.C. 16¼% 1985	106.250	11.21
Elf Aquitaine 8¼% 1985	98.250	11.17
J. C. Penny 13¼% 1985	102.750	11.19
I.M.B. World Trade 14¼% 1985	106.625	11.07
A.R.D.B. World Trade 14¼% 1986	102.500	11.86
Mobile Expl. 13¼% 1986	107.250	10.89
Citicorp 10% 1986	99.875	10.05
Southern California Edison 16¼% 1986	109.000	11.86
R.C.A 16¼% 1987	107.500	12.71
Japan Development Bank 15¼% 1987	113.000	10.98
Occidental 16¼% 1987	111.000	12.60
World Bank 10¼% 1986	99.000	10.56
Amoco U.K. 13¼% 1989	103.375	12.20
Rapiscol 11¼% 1988	93.500	13.81
Montana Power 15¼% 1988	108.500	12.72
Western Mining 15¼% 1988	108.500	13.18
Alcoa Australia 16% 1989	110.000	13.30
Coca Cola 11¼% 1989	102.875	11.06
Electricite de France 11¼% 1990	00.00	00.00
E.I.B. 13¼% 1990	105.125	12.89
United Biscuits 11% 1990	97.500	11.61
Ontario Hydro 13¼% 1991	111.750	11.13
E.I.B. 16¼% 1991	119.000	12.87
Nat West 14¼% 1991	116.625	11.72
Barclays Bank 8¼% 1992	86.375	10.89
Amex 16¼% 1992	118.500	13.15
E.E.C 14¼% 1993	100.875	14.56
Dow Chemical 9¼% 1994	92.250	10.87
G.N.A. 16¼% 1996	112.750	13.14

CONVERTIBLE BONDS	Conv Price	Prem
American Express 4¼% 1987	133.00	32.34
Beatrice Foods 4¼% 1992	99.00	1.91
Eastman Kodak 4¼% 1988	96.50	25.87
Ford 6% 1988	98.50	10.45
Galveston-Houston 8% 1994	99.50	94.61
Lear Petroleum 8% 1989	102.50	16.65
Morgan J.P. 4¼% 1987	143.50	−2.12
Revlon 4¼% 1987	101.50	15.33
Sperry Rand 4¼% 1988	86.00	21.50
Warner Lambert 4¼% 1987	86.50	45.17
Xerox 6% 1988	82.00	157.12

INVESTORS' NOTEBOOK | USM REVIEW

Engineering pioneers to raise £500,000

By Andrew Cornelius

Statham Duff Stoop (SDS), one of the City's lesser known broking firms, is preparing to launch two companies on the USM this month.

Metal Sciences (Holdings) is a greenfield operation which qualifies for a listing because it has patented a process for the production of an improved shot-blasting grit, used for cutting and cleaning iron in the engineering industry.

The directors claim the process will be cheaper and more efficient than existing methods and are hoping to raise £500,000 from and offer for sale. This will help to acquire premises in the Northampton area.

The second company, Pevril (Holdings), is established in the paper printing, greetings cards and accounting industries. An offer for sale is planned to raise £1m to pay off existing loans and to finance the expansion of its computer-based accounting services for small businesses.

Pevril is forecasting pretax profits of £500,000 for the year ending September 30, 1983, with a significant increase the following year. SDS expects the issue price to be based on a prospective fully-taxed p/e of about 15.

Elsewhere, dealings in shares of **Sunleigh Electronics** begin today after last week's placing of 4 million shares at 10p. This will partly be used to complete the acquisition of Flarmacrest, a property investment company.

Sunleigh consists of three operating divisions which specialize in manufacturing specialist electronic equipment to the Ministry of Defence and other blue chip customers, including Plessey, GEC, Ferranti and British Aerospace.

The now familiar crop of new issues introduced to the market last week made sparkling debuts. **Framlington**, the unit trust group, led the way, opening at a premium of more than 300p above the 400p placing price.

MMT Computers, another newcomer, also started well, with the shares opening 28p ahead of the 60p placing price; **Juliana's Holdings**, the discotheque company, managed a 3p premium on the 260p striking price and **Cobra Emerald Mines** opened 13p ahead of the 63p placing price.

Nimslo International, the 3D camera company, is one of the stocks faring less successfully, with its shares tumbling 18p to 58p in the middle of the week, though they recovered to 65p. The company's poor results for 1982 were accompanied by reports that production and quality problems have hampered sales of its new camera.

However, prospects are brighter at **Heelamat**, the heel-bar chain which was one of the first stocks on the USM in November 1980. The company's shares have held firm at 60p after a period of difficult trading, mainly due to poor weather.

A number of large institutional investors, including London Life and Scottish Amicable, have taken a stake in the company, which is expanding into Scotland - starting with a store in Dumfries in two weeks.

There was also some bullish news from **Airship Industries**, the airship manufacturing company, which concluded a £2m deal to sell one of its Skyship 600 airships to Placo, in South Africa.

A good week for the company, which exhibited a prototype airship at the Paris Air Show, ended with news that it had agreed a licensing deal for the sale of its airships in Japan. The shares closed at 138p on Friday.

A vote that is likely to go undetected by most people in this week's plethora of vote-casting may decide the fate of **British Industries and General Trust**, and certainly has implications for the Unlisted Securities Market.

Brigit as it is normally known, is fighting off attempts by London and Manchester Group to change its status from investment trust to unit trust.

Unit trusts are limited to 5 per cent investment in securities which are not fully marketable – that is to say securities without a full listing on a recognized stock exchange.

This does not apply to investment trust companies and *BRIGIT* managed by merchant bankers Samuel Montagu, is arguing that this flexibility more than makes up for the discount on asset value which investment trusts have to suffer and unit trusts do not.

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COMMODITIES

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE

Prices in pounds per metric ton
Silver in pence per troy ounce

	Y'day's Close
High grade copper	–
Cash	1088.50–1089.50
Three months	1109.50–1110.00
Standard cath (copper)	–
Cash	1044–1046
Three months	1075–1076
Tin: cash	8500–8501
Three months	8525–8630
Lead: cash	264.50–265.50
Three months	275.50–276
Zinc: cash	460–461
Three months	474–474.50
Silver: cash	773–774
Three months	792–792.5
Aluminium: cash	947–948
Three months	974.50–975
Nickel: cash	3210–3220
Three months	3285–3290

L.M.E. TURNOVER

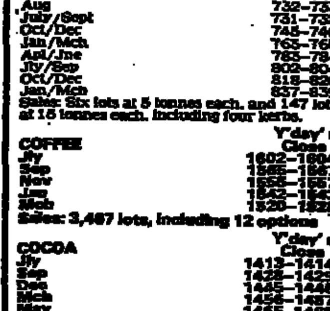
Copper (higher grade): 11.225 tonnes: Standard cathodes: nil tonnes: Tin (standard): 1.085 tonnes: Lead: 4.000 tonnes: Zinc: 9.600 tonnes: Silver: 25 lots of 10.000 ozs. each: Aluminium: 3.950 tonnes: Nickel: 660 tonnes.

LONDON COMMODITY PRICES

Rubber in £'s per kilo;
Coffee, cocoa, sugar and soyabean meal in pounds per metric ton;
Wool in N.Z. cents per kilo;
Gold in U.S. per oz.

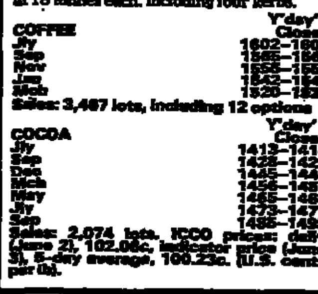
RUBBER	Y'day's Close
Jly	734–740
Aug	732–733
July/Sept	731–732
Oct/Dec	745–746
Jan/Mch	765–765
Apl/Jne	783–784
Jly/Sep	802–804
Oct/Dec	818–820
Jan/Mch	837–839

Sales: Six lots at 5 tonnes each, and 147 lots at 15 tonnes each, including four kerbs.



COFFEE	Y'day's Close
Jly	1602–1604
Sep	1565–1567
Nov	1555–1557
Jan	1542–1543
Mch	1520–1525

Sales: 3,487 lots, including 12 options



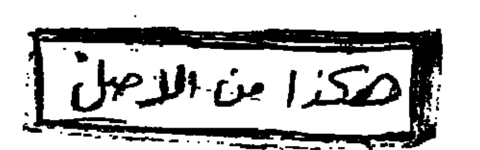
COCOA	Y'day's Close
Jly	1413–1414
Sep	1428–1429
Dec	1445–1446
Mch	1456–1457
May	1465–1468
Jly	1473–1477
Sep	1485–1495

Sales: 2,074 lots. ICCO prices: daily (June 2), 102.06c, indicator price (June 3), 5-day average, 100.23c. (U.S. cents per lb).

Base Lending Rates

ABN Bank	10 %
Barclays	10 %
BCCI	10 %
Consolidated Crds	10 %
C. Hoare & Co	*10 %
Lloyds Bank	10 %
Midland Bank	10 %
Nat Westminster	10 %
TSB	10 %
Williams & Glyn's	10 %

* 7 day deposits on sums of under £10,000, 6¾%: £10,000 up to £50,000, 7¼%: £50,000 and over, 8¼%.



USM REVIEW

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Jellicoe backs the 'Buy British' drive in Turkey

By Our Financial Staff

Britain's most important trade visit to Turkey in more than four years began in Ankara yesterday.

It comes after a period when British companies have increased their sales dramatically from £147m in 1980 to £218m last year.

British exporters have had to compete against tough conditions, without insurance cover, and at a time when Turkey's economy has been rescued from the brink of collapse by the International Monetary Fund.

The Export Credit Guarantee Department withdrew cover in 1977, when the Turks ran into enormous payment difficulties, but restored only short-term measures in March this year.

The visit by Lord Jellicoe, the British Overseas Trade Board chairman, will help to determine whether, as is now being considered, ECGD goes back to a medium-term (up to five years) stance.

Lord Jellicoe's visit will concentrate on meetings with the private sector – which was the prime mover behind a 4 per cent surge in gross national product last year. An important occasion will be when he addresses the Tusiad, Turkey's CBI equivalent.

"I hope to emphasize that I am impressed by the improvement in their economy over the past few years and that my visit will demonstrate that British industry is anxious to improve trade relations, and will encourage existing exporters and stimulate ne ones," he said last week.

That message might need putting across a little harder than he imagines, however. For British exports in the first quarter of this year have lost steam.

UNIT TRUST PERFORMANCE

These tables show the value on June 1 of £100 worth of units invested 12 months ago and three years ago – net income reinvested and based on an offer-to-offer basis. Figures supplied by Planned Savings Statistics.

FINANCIAL

	12mths	36mths
Britannia Fin Secs	150.6	211.2
Nat West Fin	150.5	207.2
James Filay Inv Tr	146.9	208.7
S&P Invest Tr Uts	145.2	213.1
Legal & Gen Gilt	144.1	–
Abbey Invst Trst	144.1	207.9
Key Fixed Int	143.9	158.6
Target Financial	143.2	190.2
Practical	143.0	204.6
K'wort Benson Fs	142.3	204.7
M&G Fund In Tr	139.4	202.9
Tyndall Pref	137.8	155.0
Target Pref Share	136.6	166.5
S&P Scotbits	136.6	180.3
Target Invest Tst	136.4	223.2
S&P Financial Sec	135.2	200.9
Henderson Fin	135.1	181.0
Tyndall Fin & Prp	134.6	162.5
Britannia In Tr S	133.7	169.5
Arabuthnot Prf Sh	133.6	154.3
Prolific Gilt Cap	132.6	–
Target Gilt Capital	130.8	150.3
Gartmore Gilt	130.8	–
Hill Samuel G F G	130.2	–
Barclayunic Fin	130.0	156.7
Britannia Gilt	129.8	–
Equity Law G F It	129.6	–
Manulife Gt Fx It	129.0	–
All Hambro Gt Sc	128.9	155.4
Fidelity Gt & Fx It	128.0	151.3
S&P Intern Bond	127.8	164.8
Mercury Gilt	127.7	–
Target Gilt Inc	127.5	–
Canlife Gt & Fx It	127.3	–
Framl'gt'n Cn Gt	127.0	–
Hill Samuel Fin	126.8	176.3
Hill Sam'l Gt Fi In	126.5	–
Barrington Gt Yd	126.5	–
Rowan Fixed Intt	126.3	–
Rowan High Int	126.3	–
Hend'son Pf & Gt	126.3	147.4
Midland B G Fx It	126.0	–
M&G Gilt	126.0	–
Henderson Gilt	125.0	–
Brown Shipley Fin	125.5	158.8
Nelstar Gt Fx It	124.5	–
Barclayunic Gt In	124.1	–
Vanbrugh Gilt	124.0	–
Arbuthnot Cap Gr	123.0	170.0
Allen H'y Ross G	123.0	156.9
Schroder Gt Fx It	122.7	–
Henderson Fix Int	122.7	–
S&P Gt Fx It Gth	122.6	–
Arbuthnot Fn Pro	122.2	150.9
Britannia Pref Shs	121.8	125.3
Abbey Gt & Fx Int	121.6	138.8
S&P Gt & Fx It In	121.4	–
Abbey W'wide Bd	121.1	150.8
Tyndall Gilt Inc	120.5	–
Chieftain Prf & Gt	120.0	126.0
Arbuth't Gt Fx It	118.9	133.4
Craigmount Gilt	116.7	122.3
Britannia Pp Shs	113.9	131.4
Prolific Tech	211.6	–
Brwn Shply Tech	180.0	–
Nat West Capital	167.8	244.7
Martin Currie	162.1	208.4
Alld Hmbro Tech	161.5	240.9
Crescent Capital	159.1	–
Hendrsn Spec Sits	157.9	281.2
Bshpsgte Progrs	156.2	209.1
Prolific Spec Sits	155.4	–
Frnds Prov Equity	155.2	252.4
Fidelity Spec Sits	155.2	245.7
Bridge Capital	155.0	187.7
Opnhmr Spec Sits	152.6	155.8
Perpetual Growth	152.6	214.7
M&G Magnum	152.3	183.2
GT Capital	152.2	230.5
HK Technology	151.2	176.4
S&P Capital	150.8	209.5
Schdr Gnrl	149.6	246.2
Hl Sam Spec Sits	147.7	250.2
Brt Spc Mkt Sits	147.4	156.0
Brt Grwth	147.0	161.7
Vngd Spec Sts	146.6	188.7
Jms Capel Cil	145.6	226.2
Nt Wt Gth Inv	145.1	208.3
Schdr Capil	144.5	213.3
TSB Sctsh	143.8	219.7
Tyndl Sp Sits	141.9	175.9
Wieler Grw	141.1	183.7
Gatmre Ins Ages	141.0	194.6
Mdl Bk Cap	140.8	178.2
HK Prvt	140.6	203.7
Rl Lfe Eqty	140.2	–
Vngd Grwth	140.1	184.9
S&P Sml Cos Icme	139.9	205.5
Dcn Lawrie Gwth	139.4	162.1
Baring Brs Stm	139.2	193.7
Hndsn Cap Grwth	139.0	212.6
Carr Sebag Capil	138.4	186.6
NPI Growth	137.6	200.8
TSB Selec Opp	137.5	–
Target Prof	137.0	185.5
TSB General	136.8	200.4
Britannia Cap Acc	136.8	154.7
Ulster Bank Grth	136.2	199.3
M&G Con Grth	136.1	188.4
Craigmount Rec	136.1	161.2
Hill Samuel Cap	135.6	195.2
Barclayunic Rec	134.5	192.9
Alld Ham Ov Earn	134.5	222.7
Barclayunic Cap	134.4	196.1
Equit & Lw UK G	133.7	–
Stewart Brit Cap	133.4	198.0
Alld Hambro Acc	132.3	203.7
Framlington Cap	131.7	193.4
Pearl Growth	130.5	199.8
Barclayunic Gr Ac	130.2	193.6
Gartmore British	129.0	226.1
Alld Ham Rec Sits	129.0	197.8
Tyndall Small Co	128.4	168.2
Brown Shipley Gr	128.0	190.4
Manulife Grth	127.7	171.9
Royal Trust Cap	126.7	193.8
Tyndall Capital	125.7	161.3
M&G Com Grth	125.5	161.6
Abbey UK Grth	125.4	195.7
Arkwright	125.2	–
Henderson Rec	122.9	132.6
Quadrant Rec	118.8	151.1
Britannia Assets	117.9	168.3
M&G Recovery	117.3	147.5
Brown Ship Rec	116.5	111.8
Target Spec Sits	112.4	207.9
Gartmore Sp Sits	112.4	178.8
Gart. UK SM C R	108.4	–
Nat West Ex Inc	159.1	205.1
Nat West Income	147.3	232.8
Equity Law Hi In	145.7	–
Henderson In Gr	143.4	264.5
Aitken Hume Sc I	143.1	171.9
All Hambro Hi In	142.3	211.9
Mercury In & Rec	140.5	–
Barrington Hi Yld	140.4	172.1
McAnally Delphi I	139.8	167.9
All Hambro Eq In	139.6	199.0
Target Ex Income	139.1	168.3
S&P Scotyields	138.6	188.7
Gartmore Income	138.4	198.1
Rowan High Yield	137.9	190.8
Midland Bk Inc	137.7	189.9
Hill Samuel Inc	137.6	193.8
Henderson Ex Inc	137.6	198.9
Lloyds Bk Inc	136.9	196.9
Schroder Income	136.5	218.1
Arbuthnot Hi Yd	136.5	145.4
Pearl Income	134.8	185.0
M&G Dividend	134.7	183.4
Brown S'ley Hi In	134.6	156.7
Carr Sebag Inc	134.3	178.9

	12mths	36mths
Perpetual Inc	134.2	212.9
New Court Inc	133.8	186.3
Crescent Gr & Inc	133.5	193.9
Prolific Hi Inc	133.4	211.8
Vanguard Hi Yld	133.3	167.4
T&G W'moor Div	133.3	181.5
TSB Income	133.2	229.0
Brown Shipley In	132.8	196.8
L&C Income	132.5	183.6
Britannia Nt Hi In	132.5	171.7
M&G High Inc	132.4	181.8
M&G Conv Inc	132.3	183.2
GT Income	132.1	184.5
S&P Income	131.6	181.0
S&P High Inc	131.6	191.2
M&G Extra Yd	131.6	169.7
S&P High Rtn	131.3	184.2
Crescent High Dst	131.3	188.3
Barclayunic In	131.3	198.1
Britannia Ex In	131.0	155.7
M'land Bk Hi Yd	130.6	177.1
Britannia In & Gr	130.4	176.6
Lloyds Bk Ex In	130.3	175.9
Framlington Ex In	129.2	180.7
James Capel In	129.2	185.6
Hill Samuel Hi Yd	128.9	167.8
Tyndall Scots In	128.7	173.8
Key Income	128.7	182.3
Abbey Hi In Eq	128.7	201.0
Tyndall Income	128.6	170.0
M&G M'land Gen	128.4	167.4
Bridge Income	128.4	167.4
K'wort B'son H Y	128.3	170.4
Framlington In	128.3	193.7
Canlife Income	128.3	175.4
Tyndall Hi Yd Fd	128.1	143.3
Fidelity Mx In Eq	127.9	–
Arbuthnot Hi In	127.5	156.4
Barclayunic Ex In	127.3	171.3
Fidelity Gr & In	126.5	172.8
Gt Winchester	126.2	189.0
Mayflower Inc	125.5	155.1
Al Hambro Hi Yd	125.0	162.8
B'master C'berld	124.7	144.6
Target Income	123.7	175.7
Chieftain In Gr	122.8	148.9
Henderson Hi In	122.7	178.4
O'heimer In & Gr	122.5	167.9
Gartmore Hi In	120.9	161.8
Ridgefield In	120.5	143.5
Royal Tst In	120.1	171.1
HK Income	119.4	134.2
Nelstar Hi In	119.1	139.8
J Finlay Hi In	119.1	161.4
Mid Mount Hi In	118.7	141.5
Duncan Lawrie In	118.3	134.7
Hend'son S C D	117.1	175.8
Quadrant In	116.7	143.0
Ansbacher In Mth	116.2	171.3
Gartmore Ex In	116.0	152.9
HK Extra In	115.2	144.2
Chieftain Hi In	115.0	140.0
Craigmount Hi In	113.4	133.6
GT Tech & Grth	204.7	–
Leo Capital	189.9	282.6
Schroder Sm Co	185.4	334.7
Arbuthnot Sm Co	177.8	297.6
Royal Lon Cap Ac	176.3	–
Buckm'st'r Sm Co	173.7	–
Nat West Rec	168.0	–
Britannia Sm Co	162.9	280.8
HK Sm Co	162.9	226.1
Lloyds Bk S C & R	162.6	236.9
MLA	162.0	306.3
Legal & Gen Eqty	156.5	227.9
Kleinwort Ben S C	155.7	206.9
Aitken Hume S C	154.3	221.4
Quadrant General	153.4	221.4
Barrington Gen	151.2	221.1
Rowan Securities	147.8	214.9
Mencap	147.4	–
Framlington Rec	146.2	–
Nat West Sm Co	145.3	227.1
Pelican	144.3	224.3
Minster	143.2	207.4
Buckmaster Buck	142.8	160.1
Pegasus Equity	142.7	
Fielding Fund	142.3	–
S&P UK Equity	142.0	217.3
Barrington Sm Co	141.9	215.3
Alld Ham Cap	141.9	223.3
Equity & Law Gen	141.5	214.6
Scot Equit Unit	141.1	196.0
Norwich Un Gp	141.1	222.5
M&G Sec Gen	141.0	202.4
Anderson	141.0	180.4
Barclayunic Gen	140.2	199.8
Family Fund	140.1	174.6
T&G Colemco	139.7	202.0
Friars House	139.6	170.0
Britannia Dom	139.1	172.0
Vanguard Trust	138.7	180.7
Elct Sml Comp	138.6	214.6
Brit Rec	137.3	185.4
Hill Sam Sec	137.2	192.6
Confdn Grth	136.6	186.1
Equitas	136.4	191.1
Bactyst Inv	136.1	201.1
Mury Smlr Comps	135.8	–
M&G Smlr Cos	135.8	186.3
Tyndall Int Ernqs	135.7	182.2
Nat Wst Prtflo Inv	135.7	184.5
Abbey Gnrl	135.7	211.4
Trds Un Unts	135.6	185.1
Aitken H Sp Sts	135.3	212.0
G&A	134.7	197.8
Al Hmbo 2 S Cos	134.7	208.1
Bwn Shpy Fnd	134.5	173.4
Archway	134.5	170.2
Cnlife Gen	134.4	187.6
M&G Trust	134.2	186.7
May Gen	133.8	171.4
M&G Gen	133.7	185.7
Alld Hmbr Fnd	133.7	189.0
Hill S Brit	133.5	198.6
Prudentl	133.3	196.0
Pearl Tst	132.8	192.7
Lloyds B Bal	132.6	207.2
Scot Am Eqty	132.5	–
T&G Barb	132.4	192.5
Rowan M	132.3	168.3
Col Hill	132.0	167.5
Rel Br Life	132.0	195.1
Klnwt Ben U Fnd	131.9	182.7
Hndrsn In & Asts	131.8	190.1
Merc Gen	131.7	246.1
Barcyun Tstc	131.2	200.0
Brit Shld	131.0	149.7
Brit Com & Ind	131.0	156.3
HK Mt Ldrs	130.9	158.2
McAnly Glen	130.1	179.6
Nw Ct Sm Cos	129.8	205.2
T&C Wickmr	129.3	180.6
Al'd Hmbro S Cos	129.0	183.0
Alld Ham Brit Ind	128.2	177.0
Nelstar Trust	127.4	159.4
Guardhill	127.3	193.7
Lloyds Life Equity	127.0	188.6
Alld Ham First	127.0	178.1
Alld Ham G & In	126.7	211.9
Barclayunic 500	126.0	190.0
Target Equity	124.1	169.1
S&P Scotshares	123.7	163.8
Northgate	122.3	143.9
Britannia UK B C	120.3	181.3
Reliance	119.2	176.3
Aitken Hume I&G	118.7	137.0
Barclayunic Pr As	118.5	172.9
Discretionary	116.6	184.0
Key Equity & Gen	116.2	166.4
Chieftain Sm Co	115.4	154.9
Robert Fraser	98.9	112.1

OVERSEAS

	12mths	36mths
GT US & Gen	251.7	424.5
Aitkn H Am Tch	224.9	302.2
Arbuthnot For	219.7	284.8
Brit Wld Tech	214.0	–
Fram US Turn	213.1	361.6
M&G Amer Rec	209.9	370.4
Fram Amer	209.8	373.5
Hend Am Sm Cos	208.4	370.1
Arbuth N Amer	207.8	247.0
Fid Am Sp Sits	202.5	–
Prolif N Amer	201.0	–
S&P US Growth	200.3	310.6
Fid American	199.0	331.9
Schrod Amer	198.7	–
Brit Am Sml Cos	198.1	355.9
Eq&L N America	197.5	–
New Crt America	196.1	322.7
Hend Amer Rec	195.8	–
Ald Ham AmSpSit	195.6	–
Target Amer Eag	194.3	260.8
Target US Sp Bnd	191.9	–
Fram Intl Grth	190.5	319.7
Nat West N Amer	198.1	206.5
S&P New Tech	187.0	–
J Finlay Intl	185.9	240.2
Barrgtn N Amer	185.0	260.3
J Capel N Amer	184.3	247.2
GT European	180.9	–
Ridgefield Intl	180.5	224.2
M&G Am&Gen	180.5	271.9
Stewart Amer	180.3	290.3
Bridge Am&Gen	179.5	246.9
HK American	179.1	211.3
Brit Am Sp Sits	179.0	230.6
Henderson Intl	178.8	270.5
Hend Nth Amer	178.5	304.0
Lloyds Bk N Am	177.9	–
Abbey Japan	176.8	–
Mid Bk Nth Am	176.6	239.1
Rowan America	1764	288.0
Lloyds Bk In Tech	174.2	302.2
TSB American	173.4	–
Henderson Gl Tch	173.4	–
Gartmore Ameri	173.2	273.8
Britannia Am Gth	172.8	244.4
Crescent Tokyo	172.6	327.3
Crescent Ameri	171.5	261.2
Chieftain Ameri	170.6	233.4
Hill Samuel Euro	169.9	–
Alld Ham S of Am	169.5	243.9
Barclayunic Am	167.4	211.5
Barrington Euro	167.1	249.4
Abbey Ameri Gth	166.6	219.9
Brown Ship N Am	166.4	223.4
Royal Life Inter	165.5	–
Henderson Euro	165.3	207.4
Quadrant Inter	165.2	242.6
Buckmaster Marl	164.9	214.2
Tyndall N Ameri	164.5	241.7
London Wall Int	163.3	231.0
Hill Samuel Dllr	163.0	224.1
Britannia Jap Per	162.3	228.7
S&P Euro Gth	162.2	186.7
GT International	160.9	226.2
Bridge Int Rec	159.7	238.1
Prolific Int	159.5	227.2
Murray American	159.3	–
L&C Inter & Gen	158.7	172.7
Bishopsgate Int	158.6	267.4
Fidelity Japan	157.6	–
S&P Select Int	157.1	211.5
Fielding Int	156.0	185.4
Hill Samuel Int	155.4	212.7
Barclayunic Wrld	155.1	175.1
Craigmount Can	153.8	125.4
Schroder Europe	153.7	153.9
NPI Overseas	149.1	–
Nelstar Int	148.8	–
Stockholders	148.7	220.7
Target World Cap	148.1	–
Henderson Jap	148.1	256.3
Alld Hambro Jap	147.6	–
Llyds B Wdwde G	146.8	225.1
Gt Jap & Gen	146.5	243.5
Mid B Oseas Gr	146.3	199.2
Alld Hambro Int	145.5	176.9
World Wide	145.3	206.5
Perp Wrldwde Rec	145.0	–
Bank of I B & O	144.5	–
Gartmore Jap	144.3	–
TSB Pac	142.7	–
Schroder S & M	142.5	–
S&P Jap Gr	142.3	230.9
Prolific Far E	142.2	–
Brwn Int Gr & Inc	142.2	–
Tyndall Far East	141.9	214.0
Merc Int	141.9	180.5
Crescent Int	140.8	195.4
Dart Total Rerf	140.6	–
Arbuthnot E & In	138.7	206.6
Stewart Eur	138.6	–
Target Mal & Sin	138.0	–
Barrington Pac	137.8	219.2
Gartmore Int	137.4	197.8
Craigmount N A	137.2	175.6
S&P Uni Grth	137.1	160.9
Mayflower Int	136.5	171.9
Brit Int Gr	136.5	157.0
Eqty & Law Far E	134.4	–
Stkhldrs Eur	133.9	–
Lloyds Bk Pac Bsn	133.3	–
Oppnhemr Int Gr	132.4	225.9
Mid Bk Jap & Pac	132.2	240.0
Barclay Gr Pac	130.7	–
M&G Jp & Gen	129.9	191.7
Beckmn Int Cap	129.2	–
Brown Ship O	129.0	–
Hend Pac S Cos	128.6	198.7
Hill Sam Far E	128.5	234.3
Nat W Jap & Pac	126.9	–
M&G Euro & Gen	124.8	138.0
Murray Euro	123.0	125.0
Schroder Aust	121.6	–
Carr Sebag F East	120.9	–
HK F East & Gen	120.9	152.4
Chieftain Far East	120.7	204.0
Barclayunic Aust	19.2	102.8
Target Pacific	117.7	192.8
GT Far East Gen	115.8	219.8
Aitken Hume Pac	113.3	170.7
Britannia Far E	13.0	150.7
Henderson Aust	109.9	94.2
Chieftain Aust	109.4	–
M&G Aust & Gen	107.7	78.5
Chieftain Int	104.9	132.9
M&G F East Gen	104.2	157.9
Gartmore Aust	96.0	–
S&P SE Asia Gth	90.2	165.6
Gartmore Far East	89.4	163.8
Britannia HK Perf	61.9	–
Britannia Gd Gu	239.8	204.8
Target Gold	227.5	–
A Hambro Mt Mn	171.6	182.3
Gartmore Comm	156.2	153.9
Britannia Com Sh	153.1	12.6
Hill Samuel Nt Rs	150.6	–
S&P Comm Share	148.5	145.4
Target Comm	148.4	160.6
A'ken Hume E R	145.5	128.9
Arbuthnot Cm Sh	140.8	122.2
M&G Com & Gen	140.5	143.0
Midland Bk Com	136.2	128.4
Hen'son Oil Nt Rs	135.7	151.4
Tyndall Nat Res	130.7	105.8
HK Comm & Gen	129.9	136.6
Nat West Energy	127.0	–
S&P Exploration	126.4	–
Lloyds Bk Eng Int	119.0	–
S&P Eng Indost	117.1	112.6
N Court Eng Res	13.6	104.5
Chieftain Bac Res	111.8	87.8

COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

Carford-Lilley Industries
Year to 31.8.83.
Pretax profit, £701,000 (£573,000).
Stated earnings, 5.38p (4.91p).
Turnover, £6.25m (£5.93m).
Net dividend, 1.68p (1.5p).

Rowton Hotels
Year to 31.12.82
Pretax profit, £412,000 (£669,000).
Stated earnings, 6.07p (10.78p).
Turnover, £6.1m (£5.84m).
Net dividend, 7.0p (7.0p).

United Guarantee (Holdings)
15 months to 31.12.82, compared with the preceding 12 months.
Pretax profit, £206,000 (£360,000 loss).
Stated earnings, 1.95p (loss, 3.064p).
Turnover, £20.07m (£13.69m).
Net dividend, 0.75p (nil).

Allied Plant Group
Year to 31.12.82.
Pretax loss, £296,000 (£44,000 profit).
Turnover, £8.06m (£12.96m).
Net dividend, nil (0.066p, adjusted for scrip issue).

Dewk Group
Year to 31.12.82
Pretax loss, £72,000 (£58,000 profit).
Stated earnings, 0.4p (0.64p).
Turnover, £11.9m (£13.14m).
Net dividend, nil, (0.24p).

Ecobric Holdings
Half-year to 31.3.83.
Pretax profit, £103,000 (£116,000).
Stated earnings, 5.6p (9.7p).
Turnover, £1.89m (£1.41m).
Net interim dividend, 3.26p (3.2p).

Castings
Year to 31.3.83.
Pretax profit, £375,000 (£550,000).
Stated earnings, 3.3p (4.3p).
Turnover, £6.42m (£6.5m).
Net dividend, 2.42 (2.42p).

Dobson Park Industries
Half-year to 2.4.832.4.83.
Pretax profit, £3.89m (£3.79m).
Stated earnings, 2.7p (2.8p).
Turnover, £84.66m (£91.18m).
Net interim dividend, 1.9p (1.9p).

● **PROFITS GLOOM:** Mr L Hunting, chairman of Hunting Gibson does not expect profits from its associated companies to reach last year's levels, but the outlook was good in the medium to longer term.

Row over credit to Venezuela

By John Lawless

Britain was yesterday trying to extricate itself from a potentially embarrassing situation in Venezuela – which threatened to show it as an aggressive lender at the very moment when the Venezuelans are in New York trying to persuade foreign bankers to consider rescheduling its debts.

The embassy in Caracas was forced into the unusual position of having to deny local press repors that Britain, in particular, has been heavily restricting the flow of ceredits since the imposition of exchange controls since the end of February.

The Export Credit Guarantee Department advised policyholders last week that it was halting automatic cover for short-term business.

Future deals must be done only under confirmed irrevocable letters of credit. Medium-term business, it added, would be reviewed case by case.

That move leaked to the Venezuelan press which, in view of Venezuela's rejection of a tough IMF package to regulate its economy, is particularly susceptible to stories about foreign financial interference.

The situation was helped by a statement from Senor Angel Buenano, acting Finance Minister, who said he had no information about any decision to cut off credit from Britan. He then confused the situation by maintaining (wrongly) that such a decision was not one the government could take unilaterally.

Embassy staff stressed that the ECGD realignment was a "routine" measure. What they could not add, though, was that it was fully in line with moves by all Western industrial nations to review the credit situations in Ecuador, Peru and Chile, as well as Venezuela.

Venezuelan business leaders estimate that there are approximately $400m of letters of credit outstanding since before exchange controls came into force. They have been urging the government to recognize them at the preferential dollar rate of 4.3 bolivars

Unlisted Securities

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div yld %	P/E
12.3m	A & G Security	250	-6	2.6	1.0	47.3
918,000	Acsis Jewel	17	..	..e	..	..
24.5m	Adam Leisure	98	..	1.4	1.5	17.0
7,637,000	Aerospace Eng	165	-6	13.9b	8.4	10.8
9,094,000	Aldcom Int	75	..	0.9	1.1	56.0
12.9m	Air Call	335	+45	8.0	2.4	16.0
17.3m	Airship Ind	135	+9	..	..	..
10.9m	Anglo Nordic	34½	..	2.9	8.4	10.1
43.5m	Asprey & Co	£7¼	..	21.4	3.0	18.5
24.5m	Baltic Leasing	262	-6	4.0n	1.5	13.6
3,936,000	Bensons Crisps	82	+4	2.7	3.3	20.5
2,753,000	Berkeley & HH	9½	..	..	..	..
3,028,000	Berkley Exp	61	..	..	..	..
25.7m	Bespak	245	+2	3.6n	1.5	42.9
11.1m	Bio-Isolates	145	-23	..	..	..
4,039,000	Black M.	108	..	4.3n	4.0	17.1
4,812,000	Booth C.	21	..	..	..	..
6,900,000	Breville Europe	36	-6	7.0b	19.4	3.4
2,640,000	Bryant D.	120	..	7.5b	6.3	..
7,933,000	Bula Resources	8½	..	..	..	..
6,335,000	Business Comp	108	-7	1.4	1.3	17.7
783,000	CAMRA	135	+5	3.6	2.6	15.3
39.7m	Candecca Res	136	-7	..	..	..
4,856,000	Cavenmoor	120	+9	5.2b	4.3	..
9,900,000	Cass Grp	188	..	3.6	2.0	22.3
9,120,000	Castle GB	76	..	3.5b	4.7	..
12.4m	Chem Methods	96	-15	3.5b	3.6	..
3,325,000	Ciro	113	..	2.9	2.5	14.7
1,277,000	City Site Est	35	..	0.7	2.0	70.0
5,248,000	Cliff Oil	46	+1	..	..	..
5,425,000	Do B	45	..	..	..	..
80.5m	Clyde Petrol	96	+3	0.9	0.9	..
3,150,000	Coleman Milne	63	+5	2.1b	3.4	12.4
1,782,000	Conmdts (C&F)	180	-6	3.0	1.7	2.2
6,541,000	C'ntl Microwave	650	+10	..	..	19.5
8,506,000	Cornell Hldgs	113	-5	..	..	..
2,529,000	Cramphorn	£10½	..	28.6	2.7	12.0
5,089,000	De Brett A	71	..	3.6	5.0	13.5
1,587,000	Delmar Grp	32	..	2.4	7.5	..
9,435,000	Dencora	78	+2	..b	..	23.4
13.0m	Druck Hldgs	260	..	1.6	0.6	32.0
1,430,000	Dunton Grp	12½	..	..	..	59.5
1,369,000	Ecobric Hldgs	118	-6	15.0	12.7	15.1
9,778,000	Edinburgh Sec	100	..	0.2	0.2	..
15.0m	Eldridge Pope	714	-3	15.5	2.2	19.8
4,235,000	Energy Finance	43	..	1.9	4.3	7.5
4,430,000	Equipu	100	..	4.6	4.6	10.2
4,400,000	Exeter Building	145	-6	10.0	6.6	5.2
15.6m	FKI Elec	22½	-½	0.3b	1.3	..
17.4m	Feedback	205	-3	2.9	1.4	20.8
338,000	First Talisman	25	..	..	..	..
16.2m	Fitch & Co.	328	+5	4.0b	1.2	36.9
11.0m	Floyd Oil	91	-7	..e	..	..
23.2m	Fuller Smith	£11½	-¼	12.9	1.1	26.3
6,309,000	Garfunkels	135	+4	1.4	1.1	33.2
7,587,000	Good Relations	150	+7	3.3	2.2	30.1
7,804,000	Grainger Tst	180	..	5.4b	3.0	..
1,627,000	Greenwich Cable	38	..	..	..	..
877,000	Guernsey At Sec	130	..	..	..	95.5
3,920,000	HB Electronics	98	-2	1.6	1.6	18.6
2,777,000	Hadland Hldgs	87	+8	3.6	4.1	..
59.5m	Hadson Pet	96	+6	..b	..	..
2,660,000	Hardanger Prop	133	-3	14.0n	10.5	3.4
2,250,000	Hartons Grp	10½	-½	0.3	2.4	14.8
1,414,000	Harvey & Thomp	45	-1	..e	..	..
3,516,000	Haytors	150	-3	15.0	10.0	7.2
1,860,000	Heelamst Hldgs	60	..	8.0	13.3	5.9
2,325,000	Humberside Elec	15	..	0.0	0.1	16.5
11.0m	Hunterprint	183	-6	2.9b	2.3	11.7
5,612,400	ICC Oil	25½	..	0.0b	..	..
18.8m	Its Bus Systems	200	-23	..	..	..
3,019,000	Ind Fin & Inv	100	+5	2.9b	2.9	25.6
6,944,000	Inn Leisure	33	+1	0.6	1.8	29.2
8,650,000	Int'europe Tech	173	..	5.7b	3.3	25.5
8,058,000	Intervision Vid	40	-3	1.4	3.6	..
2,398,000	JSD Comp Grp	44	-1	3.0	6.8	24.9
886,000	Jayplant	25	..	..	..	..
28.0m	Jebsens Drill	175	..	25.0b	14.3	2.8
15.2m	Johnstone Paints	145	..	5.4	3.7	18.9
32.5m	Kean & Scott	58	+2	1.4n	2.5	12.1
8,904,000	Kennedy Brookes	230	-4	1.8	0.8	13.5
896,000	Ldn & Man Secs	17	..	..	..	..
3,101,000	Do 10p Ord	17	..	..	..	..
5,496,000	Ldn Cont Adv	35	..	0.3	0.8	12.3
4,800,000	Do 5p Ord	32	-2	0.3	0.9	28.1
1,040,000	Ldn Priv Health	28	-1	..	..	13.0
5,900,000	Lorlin Elec	118	..	1.4b	1.2	30.7
41.9m	McCarthy Stone	503	+15	5.7b	1.1	28.9
5,870,000	McLaughlin & H	145	..	9.1	6.3	7.4
4,455,000	Mellerware	81	+1	3.6b	4.4	..
11.0m	Memory Comp	220	-3	2.6b	1.2	31.2
7,436,000	Merrydown Wine	326	-15	7.1	1.4	16.8
5,825,000	Metal Bulletin	133	..	8.1	6.1	12.9
22.9m	Micro Business	337	+22	3.2b	1.0	25.2
1,632,000	Microfilm Reprg	48	..	3.6n	7.4	..
33.3m	Micro Focus	323	-8	..b	..	..
10.3m	Microgen Hldgs	353	-6	5.7b	1.6	56.4
4,964,000	Microlease	146	-4	2.9b	2.0	..
3,010,000	Midland Marts	93	..	5.7	6.1	10.3
3,906,000	Miles 33	186	-9	2.9	1.5	20.1
2,242,000	Miss World	115	..	4.3b	3.7	14.4
24.1m	Mnemos	54	-4	..	..	..
850,000	Morland Sec	45	..	2.9	6.4	12.3
450,000	Morley (RH)	18	..	..	..	..
6,708,000	Munford & White	205	-2	3.7b	1.8	33.0
9,156,000	NMW Computers	213	..	5.7	2.7	23.7
13.3m	New Ct Nat Res	40	-1	1.4	3.6	15.8
71.3m	Nimslo Int	65	-21	..e	..	..
6,044,000	O.R.E.	215	-2	..	..	99.5
15.9m	Oilfield Inspec	225	+2	3.0b	1.3	21.2
12.3m	Owners Abroad	23½	-1	0.7	3.0	1.1
300,000	Parkfield Fndry	10	..	..e	..	..
3,000,000	Pict Petrol	50	..	..	..	..
2,000,000	Pineapple Dance	100	+2	8.0b	8.0	11.4
3,785,000	Radio City	172	+2	8.0b	4.7	20.1
3,543,000	Ramus Hldgs	80	..	7.1	8.9	13.6
1,182,000	Reliant Motor	21	..	..	..	5.6
13.8m	Resource Tech	154	-15	..h	..	25.7
3,578,000	Rivlin IDAS	44	+1	0.1b	0.3	..
2,625,000	Rolfe & Nolan	105	..	3.9	3.7	10.5
8,037,000	Ruddle (G.)	170	..	4.7b	2.8	20.0
1,387,000	Sampang (Java)	19	..	..	..	..
28.1m	Saxon Oil	175	h -5	..	..	46.1
3,714,000	Scan Data	165	-5	2.9	1.7	1.3
6,985,000	Securiguard	138	..	2.5b	1.9	28.1
4,116,000	Selec TV	30	-8	..	..	..
5,948,000	Sheldon Jones	115	..	5.7	5.0	8.8
4,806,000	Sheraton Sec	12½	..	..	..	..
2,313,000	Sinclair W.	73	-5	0.6	..	..
1,066,000	Do Dfd	70	-5	0.1	0.2	..
8,294,000	Slaters Food	143	+3	2.9b	2.0	28.8
15.7m	S.W.Resources	16	-1	0.6	4.0	..
80.6m	Sovereign Oil	224	+17	..	..	..
15.0m	Spring Ram	142	..	4.3b	3.0	..
4,750,000	Stainless Metal	95	-13	..	..	..
625,000	Staneico	46	-2	..	..	..
9,600,000	Strikes Rests	65	..	1.9	3.0	..
1,190,000	Swindon Pr Hosp	85	..	..	..	..
4,500,000	Technofan SA	£300	..	1778	5.9	11.8
4,628,000	Tel Serv Int	21	..	0.1	0.7	6.1
8,269,000	Television Sth	34	..	..	..	..
1,956,000	Thames Inv & Sec	56	-4	..e	..	6.9
1,478,000	Thorpac	64	..	2.7	4.3	8.3
3,058,000	Tops Estates	61	..	..	..	..
1,700,000	Trident Comp	68	+5	2.1	3.1	14.3
6,410,000	Twinlock	30	..	1.3	6.3	10.8
1,114,000	Utd Ceramic	48	..	4.3	9.3	17.3
4,362,000	Utd Electronic	45	-1	0.5	1.8	40.5
32.8m	Utd Friendly	213	..	14.0	6.6	..
3,115,000	Utd Packaging	98	-1	..	..	..
2,585,000	V.W.	47	+9	3.6	7.6	..
3,700,000	Webber Electro	185	..	5.0	2.7	10.6
7,943,000	Wight Collins R S	248	-5	6.9b	2.8	35.3
689,000	Willaire Syst	6	-1	..	..	14.3
13.1m	Wingate Prop	106	..	..	..	63.5
5,261,000	Yelverton Inv	66	-4	..	..	..
730,000	York Mount	73	..	7.1	9.8	7.7
3,145,000	Zygal Dynamics	85	+2	1.1	1.3	23.1

• Ex dividend. a Ex all. b Forecast dividend. c Corrected price. e Interim payment passed. f Price at suspension. z Dividend and yield exclude a special payment. h Bid for company. k Pre-merger figures. n Forecast earnings. p Ex capital distribution. r Ex rights. s Ex scrip or share split. t Tax free. y Price adjusted for late dealings. .. No significant data.

CRICKET: ENGLAND ANNOUNCE WORLD CUP PARTY

Sun shines on the 11 survivors from the winter of discontent

By John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent

Of the 14 players chosen to make up the England party for the Prudential World Cup, starting on Thursday, all but three – Allott, Dilley and Gatting – were in Australia last winter. In view of England's record on that tour, any fewer changes would have been unacceptable.

What the selectors must be hoping is that the advantages of playing in England will make all the difference to an unsuccessful side. It is also true, of course, that the cupboard is pretty bare. "We talked about everyone", said a selector. Among those he was referring to were Athey, Bairstow, Pocock, Pringle, Stovold, Taylor and Thomas.

In the first match, against New Zealand at The Oval, Randall, Jesty and Cowans will be the three left out. Tavaré will open with Fowler, with Gower at No 3, and Gatting as the sixth bowler. In case of injury to one of the other five, a spare bowler needs to be included, which, when it is not Gatting, will have to be Jesty. Randall is the alternative choice to Fowler, Tavaré, Gower and Lamb, and Cowans to Allott and Dilley.

Marks owes his selection, ahead of Miller, Hemmings and Pocock, to the fact that he seems at his most effective in this type of cricket. In the one-day matches in Australia, the likes of Hookes and Border were unsure of what to make of it when Marks threw the ball well up. Richards, for West Indies, and Majid Khan, for Pakistan, have proved usefully economical in the past, doing the same sort of thing. England's spinner for the first World Cup, in 1975, was Underwood; in the second, in 1979, Miller and Edmonds were both in the 14, though only one of them played at a time.

Although seven of the 1975 squad – Amiss, Fletcher, Hayes, Knott, Old, Underwood and Wood – are still playing first-class cricket, none of them survives. Of the England team who lost the 1979 final to West Indies, Botham, Gower, Randall and Willis reappear. How far England get this time made depend on the form of Botham, but that has been the case, and not only in one-day cricket, for the last four or five years.

In Australia last winter the following conversation took place. Fred Trueman, inquisitorially, to Alex Bedser: "Why didn't you bring David Thomas to Australia then?" Bedser to Trueman: "Would you have expected to come if you had just taken 36 wickets in a full season at 35 apiece?" The winner of that exchange was Bedser. Even so, it may not be long before Thomas does get a chance. He has a staunch admirer in Clive Lloyd, who rates him as a lively prospect, and he can bat as well as bowl. Cowans just holds his place, and Allott is given another chance. On their form in the Roses match last week, Sidebottom, if he were available, might have edged Allott.

The teams' first engagements are both of a social kind. They go to Buckingham Palace on Wednesday morning and after that to a buffet lunch at Lord's. On Wednesday afternoon they are to have a net at The Oval. Thursday's other matches are between Pakistan and Sri Lanka at Swansea in Group A, which they share with England and New Zealand, and between West Indies and India at Old Trafford and Australia and Zimbabwe at Trent Bridge in Group B.



Happy returns: three to cheer the winter's men – Gatting, Dilley and Allott.

World Cup party

		Age
R G D Willis	(Warwicks, capt)	34
P J W Allott	(Lancs)	27
I T Botham	(Somerset)	27
N G Cowans	(Middx)	22
G R Dilley	(Kent)	24
M W Gatting	(Middx)	25
I J Gould	(Sussex)	25
D I Gower	(Leics)	26
G Fowler	(Lancs)	26
A J Lamb	(Northants)	28
T E Jesty	(Hampshire)	35
V J Marks	(Somerset)	27
D W Randall	(Notts)	32
C J Tavaré	(Kent)	28

Indians Plumb depths

The Indians, who are due to face ordeal by Andy Roberts and company at Old Trafford next Thursday, collapsed against Steve Plumb and the Minor Counties at Monks Risborough on Saturday. Plumb, a Norfolk medium-pace bowler who took two first-class wickets during a spell with Essex, returned figures of four for 24 as the Indians were bowled out for 135.

Despite losing by 19 runs, the Indians' captain, Kapil Dev, claimed he was "not really disapppointed. There was a lot of stiffness and the players were not used to the soft conditions."

An immaculate spell by the left-arm spinner, Ravi Shastri, had helped reduce Minor Counties to 77 for five before David Smith (Buckinghamshire) and Neil O'Brien (Cheshire) put on 55 for the sixth wicket.

Despite the absence of their captain, Clive Lloyd and four other squad members, the West Indians crushed a disappointing Pakistani team by 106 runs in their 60-over warm up match at Leicester.

Put in on an easy-paced pitch, thee West Indians made only 88 in their first 30 overs, then added 197 off the lost 30

LEICESTER: West Indians 285 for seven (A L Logie 77, E Baptiste 73, D Has 53). Pakistanis 179 for nine. West Indians won by 106 runs

MONKS RISBOROUGH: Minor Counties 154 for six; Indians 135 (S Plumb four for 24). Minor Counties won by 19 runs.

CAMBRIDGE: Sri Lankans 218 for six (S Wettimuny 70). Cambridge University 155 for seven. Sri Lankans won by 63 runs.

Middlesex still lucky

Middlesex's luck held firm on Saturday when the draw was made for the semi-finals of the Benson and Hedges Cup, **John Woodcock** writes. Having won the toss on Friday, to beat Gloucestershire – anything, surely, would have been preferable to this – they now find themselves with the added bonus of a home tie against Lancashire. In a draw monopolized by the Home Counties, Kent will play Essex

It is the only one-day competition Middlesex have not yet won, so they could be forgiven for thinking that their turn may have come. Lancashire, had a convincing win over Northamptonshire last week.

Kent and Essex are always good for a hard match. Three times winners of the competition, Kent have a better record in it than any other county. With a side consisting, more often than not, of 11 home-bred players, and under the captaincy of Tavaré, they are emerging again as one of the most interesting sides in English cricket.

Kent v Essex, at Canterbury.
Middlesex v Lancashire, at Lord's.
Ties to be played on Wednesday, July 6.

Hendrick has Leicester reeling

Mike Hendrick, banned from Test cricket because he took part in the rebel tour to South Africa last year, took six Leicestershire wickets for 16 in Saturday's county championship fixture, sponsored by Schweppes, at Nottingham.

Former Derbyshire fast bowler helped to send Leicester tumbling to 93 for nine in 36 overs when Roger Tolchard decided to bat after a five-hour hold-up, because of the damp outfield at Trent Bridge.

Bob Woolmer and Alan Knott, who also went to South Africa, made big contributions to Kent's 350 for six declared against Middlesex at Dartford. Woolmer hit 118, despite having a broken toe. He will be out of cricket for a minumum of two weeks. Brian Luckhurst, the Kent manager, said: "Even if it takes a bit longer he should be fit play in the Benson and Hedges cup semi-final against Essex.

The umpires decided to add on 10 minutes to yesterday's play to take account of delay at the start of the day when the stumps were found to be incorrectly placed and had to be resited.

Warwickshire made the most of being put in by John Abrahams of Lancashire ar Edgbaston. Kallicharran, nine times captain of the West Indies, who has also played for Transvaal, hit two sixes and 34 fours. Andy Lloyd, who made 126, shared a second-wicket stand of 293 as Warwickshire amassed 396 for four.

Tony Pigott, the Sussex fast bowler, celebrated his 25th birthday with six Worcestershire wickets for 74 at Hove. Worcestershire were dismissed for 223 and Sussex cleared 76 from the arrears without loss in 27 overs.

Rodney Ontong, dropped twice at slip, punished Yorkshire by scoring 112 for Glamorgan at Middlesbrough. He hit 13 fours and Glamorgan reached 289 for nine.

Fine batting by Graham Gooch (60) and Ken McEwan (54) helped Essex to 262 at Taunton and Norbert Phillip soon had Somerset reeling with three for eight in 24 balls. Somerset were 35 for three after 16 overs.

Ole Mortensen, Derbyshire's pace bowler, took his first wickets in the championship by dismissing Tim Tremlett and David Turner, of Hampshire, at Derby. Hampshire took control, though, by making 106 for two in 41 overs, in reply to Derbyshire's modest 170.

DERBY: Derbyshire 170 (G Miller 56, J W Southern five for 60). Hampshire 106 for 2 (T E Jesty 53 not out).

DARTFORD: Kent 350 for 6 dec (R A Woolmer 118, A P E Knott 92 not out). Middlesex 6 for no wkt.

TRENT BRIDGE: Leicestershire 93 for 9 v Nottinghamshire

TAUNTON: Essex 262 (G A Gooch 60, K S McEwan 54; C H Dredge 5 for 64). Somerset 35 for 3.

HOVE: Worcestershire 223 (J A Ormrod 50; A C S Pigott 6 for 74) Sussex 76 for no wkt.

EDGBASTON: Warwickshire 396 for 4 (A I Kallicharran 209 not out, T A Lloyd 126) v Lancashire.

MIDDLESBROUGH: Glamorgan 289 for 9 (R C Ontong 112) v Yorkshire.

TODAY'S CRICKET

County Championship (10.0 to 6.30)
DERBY: Derbyshire v Hampshire
DARTFORD: Kent v Middlesex.
TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v Leicestershire
TAUNTON: Somerset v Essex
HOVE: Sussex v Worcestershire
EDGBASTON: Warwichshire v Lancashire
MIDDLESBROUGH: Yorkshire v Glamorgan

Prudential Cup Practice Matches
ARUNDEL: New Zealanders v Australians (11 0 to 7.30)
LEICESTER: Sri Lankans v Indians 11 0 to 7.30)
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v West Indians (11 0 to 7.30)

Under 25 Competition
CHELMSFORD: Essex v Leicestershire.
Worcester: Worcestershire v Gloucestershire

Minor Counties Championship
JESMOND: Northumberland v Cambridgeshire.
Wellington: Shropshire v Cheshire. **WELLINGTON:** Shropshire v Chesire.

FOOTBALL

England's victory is Wright's too

By Paul Newman

England's victory in the four-nations semi-professional tournament at Scarborough on Saturday was a vindication of the selection policies of Keith Wright, the manager.

In choosing his squad, Wright had omitted specialist marksmen who topped the Alliance Premier League's goalscoring charts, preferring forwards who were noted for their speed and skill or who had serve him well in the past. One of the latter group, Williams of Telford United, secured victory in the tournament when he hit the winning goal in the last minute against Scotland in a match in which England needed only to draw.

Scotland, who themselves had to beat England to finish top of the table, took the lead in the first half through Harris and held the advantage until Davison, the Altrincham defender, equalized with a penalty after an hour.

England had been firm favourites to win after their performances in their two previous matches. In beating Italy 2–0, their persistence had been rewarded with late goals by Sellars (Scarborough) and Alan Cordice (Wealdstone) and an excellent attacking display against the Netherlands (who had held Scotland to a 3–3 draw) produced a 6–0 victory with goals by Williams, Davison, Cordice, Johnson (Altrincham), Watson (Maidstone United) and Ashford (Enfield).

Final Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
England	3	3	0	0	10	1	6
Scotland	3	1	1	1	7	6	3
Netherlands	3	1	1	1	6	11	3
Italy	3	0	0	3	3	8	0

Scots survive early scares

Toluca, Mexico (Reuter) – Scotland, the European champions, survived a shaky first half before beating South Korea 2–0 in a World Youth Cup match that boosts their chances of qualifying for the quarter-finals. Only fine goalkeeping by Gunn kept out the Koreans in the first 45 minutes as the Scots defence wabbled on a number of occasions.

Seventeen minutes into the second half, Dobbin drove a loose ball past the Korean goalkeeper to put Scotland ahead. Dobbin scored his second goal from the penalty spot after Nevin had been fouled.

BOXING

Bugner says he will carry on

From Christopher Thomas, Atlantic City

It was a good weekend for the Fraziers. In earlier bouts in Atlantic City Marvis's younger brother, Hector, won a junior welterweight bout and his cousin Rodney Frazier, beat Josh Bryant with a second round knockout in a heavyweight contest.

Bugner, weighing in at 237lb against Frazier's 201lb, was put under pressure from the outset and was obviously pacing himself against the younger man. The disparity between the judges' decisions was striking. Each gave the contest to Fazier at 6-4, 8-2, and 10-0. Bugner said: "I wonder if they were at the same fight. If you are talking about good clean punches – forget the aggression – I think I scored. The decision was all screwed up."

He thought his opponent would become a good loser but that he should be a cruiserweight. Frazier insisted that since he had won all 10 of his professional contests as a heavyweight he was happy to take on the bigger man, adding that "in time my body will mature and get some good solid extra weight."

Joe Frazier, meanwhile, said of his old rival: "He can still fight. He gave Marvis 10 good rounds. Marvis took some body shots that would have knocked the average young boy down. Bugner didn't have any respect for Marvis going into the fight but he got plenty respect when he realized that Marvis could hit."

The young Frazier happily acknowledged Bugner's assertion that "he's not as good as his father who is a living legend." Casting an eye across a crowded press conference where Joe Frazier was lounging silently against a wall, he said: "My pop) is my master. When I get the championship I can say I am as good as he was but until then I am just in the background."



Take that: Frazier lands with a left to Bugner's face

Bout put back

New York (AP) – Gerry Cooney, the heavyweight, will not return to action against Phillip Brown, a fellow American, on June 18 in Las Vegas as scheduled because of a knuckle injury that has hampered his training. Mike Jones, his co-manager, said yesterday that the bout will take place in mid July.

Herbin is staying

Lyon (AFP). – Robert Herbin, who guided the successful St Etienne side of the 1970s, has decided to stay on as manager of Lyon, the struggling French first division side, for another year. His name had been linked with other first division clubs, including Paris St Germain.

Hamsho warns Benitez

Fort Lauderdale (AP) – Mustafa Hamsho, who is tuning up for his meeting with the World Boxing Council middleweight champion Wilfred Benitez, took only three rounds to dispose of Gil Rosario here.

It was the quickest of Hamsho's three victories over the Puerto Rican. Only 1min 17sec of the third round had elapsed when the Syrian-born southpaw knocked his man out for the second time after catching him with rights and trapping him in a corner.

Hamsho, who meets Benitez in Las Vegas on July 16, said: "I could go around 100 rounds more. It was that kind of night." The top-ranked WBC middleweight contender, who had taken control early, has now won 32 of his 36 bouts.

Hearns's first defence

Atlantic City (Reuter)–The World Boxing Council light-middleweight champion Thomas Hearns will defend his title against a fellow-American, James Green, the seventh ranked contender, on July 10 at Caesars Boardwalk Regency Hotel.

Hearns aged 24, will be making his first defence of the title he won by a unanimous 15-round decision over the former champion, Wilfred Benitez, last December 3 in New Orleans. Hearns previously held the WBA welterweight crown

Benitez will meet the WBC's top middleweight contender, Mustafa Hamsho at the Dunes Hotel and Country Club in Las Vegas on Saturday. The winner willl meet Marvin Hagler.

TENNIS: NEW LANDMARK IN FRENCH CHAMPIONSHIPS

Noah's way is the best way

From Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent, Paris

The mens' singles champion of France is a Frenchman – for the first time since 1946. Yannick Noah, aged 23, subdued Mats Wilander, last year's winner, by 6-2, 7-5, 7-6 in two hours and 24 minutes here yesterday. We could only guess what was going on inside the inscrutable Wilander – a lad of 18 who was trying to resist not only Noah and most of the sell-out crowd of 17,000, but also the will of a nation.

Wilander's game told us all we needed to know: he was far more erratic than he could afford to be. He could not keep enough rallies going nor had he the attacking resources to finish enough of them in his own favour.

This was a triumph not only for Noah and France and Africa (while playing professional football in France, Noah's father married a French woman), but also for clay-court tennis. For almost a decade – what might be called the Borg era – this tournament has been dominated by baseliners specializing in top spin. They were mostly two-fisted on the back-hand and their aim was to wear down their opponents and induce indiscretions.

This was a joylessly negative way to play tennis. By contrast, Noah is a throwback to the days when good athletes with the spirit of adventure in them could win here: as long as they had sound ground strokes, a reasonably sure touch, and the sense to know when to attack. Tennis the Noah way is exciting.

Noah was born in France, brought up in Cameroon, which was formerly under French administration, but returned to France in 1973 after Arthur Ashe had spotted him during a goodwill tour of Africa. Noah sports a mop-headed, braided hairstyle. What matters more is that there is 6ft 4in and almost 13st of him, all of it arranged to produce maximum spring and strength and reach, plus a quivering energy that never seems to be totally in repose. What a pity it is that he has decided not to play at Wimbledon. He reckons that would demand more time than he can spare to adjust his game to grass.

Noah is rather like Jimmy Connors in the Tarzan act he puts on when an important point has been won. At times there is a wild look about him, not least when he is pacing restlessly about the back of the court between points like a tiger impatient for dinner.

What extraordinary scenes there were when Wilander hit the last shot of the match, a wayward service return. The crowd had been simmering with excitement in bright, sultry heat, voicing thunderous roars of approval or collectively shushing themselves with a noise like the sea beating up a shingle beach. At the end they boiled over – most spectacularly, Noah's father, who leapt from a high wall at one end of the court and fell on his bottom with a thud.

The match was awfully close, in spite ofthe score, because in the third set Noah was tiring and Wilander was improving. Noah would have been more effective had his first service been reliable. When that service was on the mark it usually had a terminal effect on the rally. An interesting feature was the way Noah's heavily chipped approach shots to Wilander's two-fisted backhand provoked loose returns that were usually put away without any bother. Wilander's forehand often let him down too, and his volleying lacked punch.

Wilander did, however, hit a few delectable cross-court passing shots with a one-handed backhand when he was under so much pressure that he had been forced to turn away from the net. Wilander was calm and bold, too, in breaking back when Noah served for the second set at 5-4 and for the match at 6-5 in the third. But Wilander's timing and length were fickle because there was no assurance in him. At times he looked a confused young man with much to learn about his trade and its emotional stresses.

Chris Lloyd's 6-1, 6-2 win over Mima Jausovec in the women's final, played on Saturday, earned Mrs Lloyd about £48,000 but was otherwise remarkable only for its historic significance. Mrs Lloyd is the only woman to win at least one of the grand slam singles championships for 10 consecutive years. She is the only woman to compete in 34 grand slam singles tournaments – eight French, 11 Wimbledon, 12 United States and three Australian – and reached the last four, at least, every time.

She has won the US title six times, Wimbledon three times, the Australian once, and now shares with Margaret Court the record of five French singles titles. Mrs Court last won here in 973, when she came from behind in the final to beat an 18-year-old newcomer, to the championships, Chris Evert, as she was then.

Perhaps most remarkable of all, at a time when Martina Navratilova is ranked number one in the world, is the fact that Mrs Lloyd now holds the United States, Australian, and French championships, and could therefore complete a grand slam at Wimbledon ("I hope I get really fired up for that").

Mrs Court and Maureen Connolly are the only women who have achieved a grand slam in singles. In addition to the personal satisfaction it would bring, a grand slam must have incalculable value these days because the prestige associated with such a rare achievement is now highly marketable.

MEN'S SINGLES: Final: Y Noah (Fr), bt M Wilander (Swe), 6-2, 7-5, 7-6.
MEN'S DOUBLES: Final: A Jarryd and H Simonsson (Swe) bt M Edmondson (Aus) and S Stewart (US), 7-6, 6-4, 6-2.
WOMEN'S SINGLES: Final: C Lloyd (US), bt M Jausovec (Yugo), 6-1, 6-2.
WOMEN'S DOUBLES: Final: R Fairbank (SA) and C Reynolds (US), bt K Jordan and A Smith (US), 5-7, 7-5, 6-2.
MIXED DOUBLES: Final: B Jordan and E Teltscher (US), bt L Allen and C Strode (US), 6-2, 6-3.



A familiar celebratory gesture: Noah rejoices after his straight-sets victory.

Denton steals the thunder

By David Powell

Steve Denton achieved his first singles tournament victory since he turned professional four years ago when he defeated Patrick Cash, the Australian junior Wimbledon champion, in an absorbing men's singles final at Beckenham yesterday.

Denton, from the United States, saved 10 set points in the second set before winning 7-6, 7-6, ending a run of six finals without a win. Perhaps it was just as well that Denton's nerve withstood his opponent's powerful attacking game, for thunder, lightning, and rain forced the abandonment of the three doubles finals before any of the players had the chance to appear on court.

Cash, who was attempting at 18, to become the youngest Beckenham champion in the tournament's 98-year history, held four set points in the 12th game, but Denton's lethal service always rescued him from desperate positions and he won the tie-break 14-12.

As the Texan himself admitted, "I was probably the highest ranked player on the computer who had not won a tournament." He came close last December when he reached the Australian championship final and Beckenham was his first week on grass since then.

Now twelfth in the world, he is sure to be seeded at Wimbledon and confessed his relief at ending an unenviable sequence. "I needed to win a tournament to get it out of my mind that I was having trouble with finals." He has adopted a new approach to the English season after failing to distinguish himself in singles, and has denied himself his usual month's rest.

Beckenham finalists have a habit of reaching Wimbledon finals in the same year – Smith, Metreveli, Ash, Connors and Tanner all did so in the 1970s – and Denton possesses a service almost as powerful as the one which took Tanner to within a set of the title against Borg in 1979.

In six matches at Beckenham, Denton did not concede a set. His next booming service was never far away and when he was 5-6, 0-40 down, having allowed Cash only three points on his serve until then, he produced two aces, and then two more in the championship winning tie-break.

Cash need not be despondent. He is considered Australia's best prospect since John Newcombe, and victories at Beckenham over the defending champion, Kevin Curren, and Tanner, suggest he is better than the world rankings say he is.

RESULTS: Men's singles, semi-finals: S Denton (US) bt J Fitzgerald (Aus) 7-6, 4-6, 6-3; P Cash (Aus) bt R Tanner (US) 7-6, 4-6, 6-3. Final: Denton bt Cash 7-6, 7-6. Women's singles, final: B J King (US) bt B Potter (US) 6-4, 6-3. Men's doubles, semi-finals: R Acuna (Chile) and M Doyle (Ire) bt R Harmon and M Leach (US) 7-6, 6-2; P Cash and C Miller (Aus) bt M Myburg and C van Rensburg (SA) 7-5, 6-4. Women's doubles, semi-finals: B J King (US) and I Kloss (SA) bt S Barker (GB) and E Cawley (Aus) 6-3, 6-2; B Potter and S Walsh (US) bt L Gordon and K Steinmetz (US) 6-3, 7-5. Mixed doubles, semi-finals: D Lloyd and Miss S barker (GB) bt S Matthews and Miss S Leach (GB) 6-2, 6-3; C van ensburg an Miss L Jacobs (SA) bt G Barbosa and C Montero (Bra) 6-7, 6-3, 6-2.



Breaking a duck: Denton marks his first tournament win.

Miss Drury restyled

Cathy Drury, who spent most of the winter re-shaping her game, won the women's singles in the grass court tennis tournament sponsored by GMC-Moben Kitchens at Manchester yesterday. After a day in which both finalists played three matches, she defeated Brenda Remilton of Australia 7–6, 7–6.

"I am just hoping that this day's work will inspire someone to give me a wild card into Wimbledon – I have never played in the singles there before", she said afterwards.

Two Americans contested the men's final, which was won by Tom Mayotte, the number two seed and semi-finalist at Wimbledon last year. He beat fifth seed, Pat Du Pre, 3–6, 6–4, 6–4.

RESULTS (GB unless stated): Women's singles, quarter finals: M Sato (Jap) bt L Gracie 7-5, 6-2; C Drury bt N Gregory (Aus) 6-2, 6-4; S Leo (Aus) bt K Latham (US) 6-3, 6-1; B Remilton (Aus) bt L Pennington 6-0, 6-4. Semi-finals: Drury bt Sato 6-3, 6-2; Remilton bt Leo 7-6, 4-6, 6-1. Final: Drury bt Remilton 7-6, 7-5. Men's singles, quarter-finals: P Dupre (US) wo B Wals (US), scr; R Simpson (NZ) wo J Bates, scr; T Mayotte (US) wo J Turpin (US), scr. Semi-final: Dupre bt Scanlon 7-6, 7-6. Final: Mayotte bt Dupre 3-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Back to a club of happy memories

Jimmy Connors returns to the place where he tuned up for last summer's Wimbledon success when he defends his title in the Stella Artois grass court championships, which start at Queens Club, in London, today.

Connors, perhaps somewhat unexpectedly then, beat John McEnroe in straight sets, but it prepared him for a successful attempt to regain his Wimbledon crown three weeks later.

McEnroe will again be his chief challenger, but there is the added threat of Ivan Lendl. The Czechoslovak dislikes playing on grass but realizes he must compete successfully on the surface if he is to be considered as world No. 1 above either of the Americans.

Connors, McEnroe and Lendl, who were all beaten early in the French championships last weekend, have put in some useful grass court practice since arriving in London, with McEnroe showing signs that his recent shoulder injury is behind him.

It remains to be seen, however, whether the New Yorker can keep his notorious temperament under control, but at least McEnroe acknowledtges that he is getting dangerously close to the aggregate amount of fines over a 12-month period which will bring him a 21-day suspension.

Connors opens the centre court programme this afternoon with a first round match against Lloyd Bourne, from America, and there is a tempting prospect of a second round clash later in the week between the champion and John Lloyd, providing the British No. 4, given a wild card into the tournament, can overcome his first round opponent Nduka Odizor, from Nigeria.

Four top players pull out

Four of the world's top men players will be missing from the Wimbledon championships which begin on June 20. Among the omissions in the entry list is Peter McNamara, the 27-year-old Australian, whose injury problem means that he, and Paul McNamee, his fellow countryman, cannot defend the men's doubles title they won last year. McNamee will now partner Brian Gottfried of The United States.

The other three leading players who have not entered are Yannick Noah, of France, who is in today's men's singles final at the French Open in Paris; José Higueras of Spain, who won at Bournemouth in April; and Elliot Teltscher of America, none of whom are keen to play on grass.

To confirm the rising standard of play among some of the lesser known players, Roscoe Tanner, who was a wimbledon singles finalist only four years ago, was the last player to be accepted this time. There are no surprise omissions from the women's list.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

TENNIS: Stella Artois Championships (at Queens' Club); Edgbaston Cup (at Edgbaston Priory Club, Birmingham).

Sapsford's fairy tale

Full of impish flair, Danny Sapsford yesterday defeated the much taller Neil Pashley 7-6, 6-3 in the final of the 14-and-under section of the hard court championships, sponsored by Prudential, at Craiglockhart, Edinburgh, Lewine Mair writes.

Pashley, whose second service is now more in keeping with one who stands just an inch under 6ft, played many strong and skilful points but all to often finished them off with mistakes rather than winners.

David Harris defeated Nicholas Smith 6-3, 7-5 in the boys' 12-and-under division. Among the girls, the most interesting achievement was that of Julie Donovan, aged 12, of Warwickshire, who went through five matches without dropping a game to take the 12-and-under trophy. In the 14-and-under age group, the agile Teresa Catlin defeated Sue McCarthy, of Avon, 6-3, 6-3, in a match in which McCarthy never found the confidence necessary to make the most of a lovely repertoire of shots.

MOTOR RACING

Alboreto has the staying power

Detroit, (Reuter) – Michele Alboreto of Italy, driving a Tyrell, won the Detroit Grand Prix yesterday, beating the World champion Keke Rosberg of Finland in a Williams, which was followed by the Mclaren of John Watson of Great Britain. The Brabham of Nelson Piquet was fourth ahead of the Frenchman Jacques Laffite's Williams and Brittain's Nigel Mansell in a Lotus.

The race began 20 minutes late, television schedules causing a 15-minute hold-up before a further five-minute delay occurred when de Cesaris of Italy could not start his Alfa Romeo after the cars had taken a warm-up lap.

As a result the race was shortened by one lap to 60 because the cars would have to take an extra warm-up lap which would use extra fuel.

When the event did get under way Piquet's turbo-charged Brabham was followed by Arnoux, who started in pole position.

Arnoux's French colleague Tambay was an early casualty. His Ferrari hit the wall at the start and he failed to reach the first turn.

De Cesaris was occupying third place while De Angelis of Italy in a Lotus and Winkelhock, the German in an ATS were both penalized one minute for jumping the start. Later de Angelis became the second driver to drop out.

Arnoux, who was running on low



Alboreto

fuel tanks, overtook Piquet on the tenth lap and they were followed by the world champion Rosberg, the Finn, who moved his Williams up from twelth on the grid.

Alboreto of Italy, who started sixth in his Tyrrell, moved up to fourth and was followed by Warwick, the Briton, in a Turbo Toleman. With one third of the race completed, De Cesaris was fifth followed by Laffite of France in a second Williams.

Arnoux, with a 22-second lead, stopped for a 14-second fuel and tyre change two laps later. He was followed into the pits by Rosberg, whose 18-second halt forced him back to fifth place behind Arnoux, Piquet, Alboreto and Laffite. But on the 31st lap Arnoux's Ferrari rolled to a stop on the track. His mishap left Piquet maintaining a slim lead over the Tyrrell of Alboreto with Rosberbg half a minute behind, followed closely by Watson. Laffite was fifth and the Belgian Boutsen sixth in an Arrows in only his second grand prix. Prost, the French wourld championship leader was eighth in his Renault.

Alboreto took over the lead on the fifty-first lap when Piquet suffered a puncture. Rosberg continued to trail Alboreto's Tyrrell, followed by Watson, Laffite and Mansell on the same lap.

Piquet struggled back to the pits where his team changed all four tyres and added fuel to his Brabham, which returned in fourth position, almost 45 seconds behind Alboreto. Watson continued to chase Rosberg while Alboreto enjoyed a 20-second lead over the Finn. It was enough to bring him his first Grand Prix triumph.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS (after seven rounds): 1, A Prost (Fr) 28 points; 2, N Piquet (Fr) 27; 3, P Tambay (Fr) 23; 4, K Rosberg (Fin) 22; 5, J Watson (GB) 15; 6, J Laffite (Fr), N Lauda (Austria) 10; 8, M Alboreto (It) 9; 9, R Arnoux (Fr), E Cheever (US) 8; 11, M Surer (Switz) 4; 12, D Sullivan (US) 2; 13, M Baldi (It), J Cecotto (Ven), N Mansell (GB) 1.

MOTOR CYCLING

Dunlop laps it up

Joey Dunlop from Northern Ireland broke the race and lap records on his way to victory in the Formula One event, at the beginning of the Isle of Man TT meeting on Saturday.

Dunlop, already the outright lap record holder, set the fastest race speed at 114.03 mph, and clipped three-and-a-half seconds off the lap record, making it 115.73 mph. It was his third win on the Isle of Man course and gave the Japanese Honda their second win in successive years in the event. Dunlop, aged 31, from County Antrim, led the 226-mile, six lap race from start to finish – despite having to make an unscheduled rear wheel change at the start of lap five.

Second was Mick Grant from Huddersfield riding a Suzuki. His team-mate, Rob McElnea from South Humberside, finished third.

The first leg of the Isle of Man sidecar TT was won by Dick Greasley from Stoke-on-Trent, with passenger Stewart Atkinson from Market Drayton. They won at 104.25 mph by 15 seconds from the husband and wife team of Dennis and Julia Bingham from Newark, Nottinghamshire.

Third were Keith Cousins and Phil Hookham from Northamptonshire. The first six finishers all rode Japanese Yamahas. It was only Greasley's second win on the Isle of Man course in a career stretching back to 1975. The second leg of the race is this afternoon.

RESULTS: Formula One TT, (226 miles) Saturday: 1, J Dunlop (Honda) 1hr 58min 6.4seconds (speed 114.03 mph); 2, M Grant (Suzuki) 1:58:59.4; 3, R McElnea (Suzuki) 2:00:12.2. Sidecar TT, (113½ miles) First leg: 1, R Greasley (Yamaha) 1hr 5min 8.6secs (104.25 mph); 2, D Bingham (Yamaha) 1:5:23.8; 3, K Cousins (Yamaha) 1:5:9.8.

SPEEDWAY: The United States won the semi-final in the world pairs' championship in Bremen yesterday. The defending champions qualified for the final in Gothenburg, on June 17, together with England and West Germany.

RESULTS: 1, US (R Schwartz and D Sigalos), 28; 2, England (P Collins and K Carter), 25; 3, West Germany (K Maier and E Mueller), 21.

Rowing

WALTON-ON-THAMES REGATTA. Eights: Elite: Thames Tradesmen 1 l, 4min 28sec. Senior A: Molesey 1¼ l, 4min 28sec. Senior B: Eton Excelsior ¾ l, 4min 35sec. Senior C: Radley 1¼ l, 4min 39sec. Junior 16: Westminster 1 l, 3min 01sec. Fours (Coxed): Elite: Walton canvas, 4min 53sec. Senior B: Hampton, easily, 5min 13sec. Senior C: Hampton canvas, 2min 26sec. Novice: Tiffin 1¼ l, 2min 42sec. Fours (Coxless): Elite: Thames Tradesmen 1¼ l, 4min 58sec. Senior A: Reading University, easily, n.t.t. Pairs (Coxless): Elite: Molesey, easily, 5min 58sec. Double sculls: Elite: Tideway Scullers 2 l, 5min 12sec. Sculls: Senior A: A. Ross (Thames) 3 l, n.t.t. Senior B: P. Knights (Walton) 1¼ l, 6min 08sec. Senior C: P. Cust (Quintin), easily, 6min 35sec.

CRICKET

Lancashire breeze in to complete a winning double act

By Alan Ross

OLD TAFFORD: Lancshire (4pts) beat Northamptonshire by eight wickets

Lancashire, who beat Northamptonshire earlier in the week in the Benson and Hedges Cup, quarter-finals, got much the better of them again yesterday. Clive Lloyd won the toss, put Northamptonshire in, and all they could manage on a cool breezy afternoon was 130 for seven. All five Lancashire bowlers bowled an admirable line and lenght and the fielding was immaculate. Lloyd himself tumbled about adhesively and the one-handed catch O'Shaughenessy took at short fine leg to remove the disbelieving Capel was little short of miraculous. Lancashire, through Fowler, Lloyd and Hughes went comfortably to their first John Player League win of the season with eight wickets and five overs in hand.

Northamptonshire made a dismal start in the only sunny period of the match. Allott had Larkins feeling for one outside the off stump in the third over, ans two overs later Lamb steepled up a hook off the top edge and was caught at square leg by Lloyd.

Allott came off with the impressive figures of two for six in five overs. In his absence, Cook and Willey mainly by sharply taken singles, made up some lost round, the fify coming up in the twentieth over. Cook, going along nicely, was now drawn forward by Simmons and nearly stumped. Willey lost his off-stump to O'Shaughnessy at 81, having hit only one four.

Without Kapil Dev, the lower half of the Northamptonshire batting had a somewhat tame appearance. Wild and Tim Lamb put on 20 for the eigth wicket, but the accuyracy of the bowling and the sharpeness of the fielding made it all rather a struggle.

Lancashire soon lost Hayes, but Fowler, in terrific form, went at it as if slightly unhinged. Either that or he had picked up news of a rapidly approaching storm. Within the space of a few overs, he had driven Lamb straight for six, hit a string of lovely cover drives and made one vicious pull over mid-wicket.

He also, it must be said, produced several horrible slices over gulley, though in reflection to the fields set for him they were æsthetically displeasing rather than hazardous. He was out when Willey clasped a ferocious return hit to his midriff.

Clive Lloyd was soon stroking the ball off his legs in the silkiest fashion, which was as well because Hughes for a while mostly struck air. However, he suddenly found his touch, launching a savage attack on Willey and rapidly overhauling his captain. With Lloyd also driving with a full swing of the bat, there were some sore Northamptonshire fingers before the end.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

P Willey, b O'Shaughnessy 39
W Larkins, c C Maynard b Allott 1
A J Lamb, c C H Lloyd b Allott 4
*G Cook, st Maynard b Simmons 26
R G Williams, b Watkinson 16
D J Capel, c O'Shaughnessy b Simmons 1
D J Wild not out 20
†G Sharp run out 0
T M Lamb not out 13
Extras (l-b 9, w 1) 10
Total (7 wkts, 40 overs) 130
B J Griffiths and J A Carse did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1–5, 2–15, 3–65, 4–81, 5–82, 6–106, 7–107.
BOWLING: Allott, 8–0–20–2; Folley, 8–0–16–0; O'Shaughnessy, 8–0–27–1; Simmons, 8–1–22–2; Watkinson, 8–0–35–1.

LANCASHIRE

G Fowler, c and b Willey 31
F C Hayes, c Willey b Griffiths 2
*C H Lloyd, not out 39
D P Hughes, not out 50
Extras (l-b 5, w 1, n-b 3) 9
Total (for 2 wkts, 35 overs) 131
FALL OF WICKETS: 1–20, 2–46.
BOWLING: Carse, 8–0–25–0; T M Lamb, 7–1–25–0; Griffiths, 7–0–28–1; Willey, 8–2–21–1; Wild, 4–0–18–0; Cook, 1–0–6–0.
Umpires: D J Constant and B Leadbeater.

Middlesex get off the mark

LORD'S: Middlesex (4pts) bt Worcestershire by seven wickets.

Middlesex finally conquered the weather to gain their first John Player League victory of the season in dominant fashion, in a match reduced to 33 overs each after rain had stopped play with Worcestershire toiling at 63 for five.

Worcestershire were bowled out for 89 – only three more than their previous lowest score in the competition. Weston and Damian D'Oliveira struck the only two fours as Gatting celebrated his return to the England team.

Weston was the one batsman to play with any authority, but, like his colleagues, struck shots to fielders with great accuracy. Worcestershire had a glimmer of hope when they sent back the Middlesex openers for 20, but then came Gatting to share with Radley in a stand of 67.

WORCESTERSHIRE

M S Scott, b Cowans 2
M J Weston, c Tomlins b Cowans 28
D N Patel, c Downton b Daniel 2
*P A Neale, c Downton b Daniel 2
B D D'Oliveira, c Butcher b Gatting 16
M S A McEvoy, c Radley b Gatting 1
†D J Humphries, b Williams 20
R K Illingworth, c Downton b Gatting 6
J D Inchmore, c Barlow b Emburey 1
R M Ellcock, not out 5
A P Pridgeon, b Williams 0
Extras (l-b 7, w 6, n-b 1) 14
Total (31.3 overs) 89
FALL OF WICKETS: 1–25, 2–30, 3–31, 4–37, 5–46, 6–65, 7–69, 8–72, 9–89, 10–89.
BOWLING: Cowans, 8-0-22-2; Williams, 5.3-1-10-2; Daniel, 6-0-15-2; Gatting, 6-0-13-3; Slack, 2-0-6-0; Emburey, 4-2-9-1.

MIDDLESEX

G D Barlow, b Pridgeon 11
W N Slack, c Humphries b Ellcock 0
C T Radley, not out 38
*M W Gatting, c D'Oliveira b Patel 30
R O Butcher, not out 1
Extras (l-b 1, w 4, n-b 5) 10
Total (3 wkts, 25 overs) 90
J E Emburey, †P R Downton, K P Tomlins, N F Williams, N G Cowans and W W Daniel did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1–1, 2–20, 3–87.
BOWLING: Ellcock, 7-0-14-1; Pridgeon, 5-0-16-1; Illingworth, 7-0-27-0; Inchmore, 3-0-15-0; Patel, 3-0-8-1.
Umpires: D O Oslear and K E Palmer.

Wright in a mood of majesty

Derbyshire (4 pts) beat Warwickshire by five wickets.

John Wright of New Zealand continued his preparation for the World Cup by prompting Derbyshire's five wicket win over Warwickshire at Coventry. The left-handed opener made his highest John Player League score, 108 in 98 minutes, and helped Derbyshire pass the home side's total of 220 for seven with three balls to spare.

He hit four sixes and eight fours in his hundred, which came in 88 minutes and set up Derbyshire's victory in an opening stand of 113 with Anderson who made 33.

Wright was eventually leg-before to Willis, but Miller, with 27 carried Derbyshire home. Warwickshire had struggled at the start, but recovered from 69 for four, thanks to Asif Din with 52, and Old, who made 45 not out off 19 balls.

WARWICKSHIRE

T A Lloyd, c Barnett b Newman 10
K D Smith, c Barnett b Oldham 23
A I Kallicharran, c Wright b Wood 6
D L Amiss, c Wright b Oldham 12
†G W Humpage, b Oldham 35
Asif Din, c Anderson b Newman 52
A M Ferreira, b Newman 17
C M Old, not out 45
W Gifford, not out 0
Extras (l-b9, w9, n-b1) 19
Total (7 wkts, 39 overs) 220
*R G D Willis and Hogg did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1–15, 2–35, 3–59, 4–69, 5–105, 6–158, 7–219.
BOWLING: Newman, 8–1–47–3; Mortensen, 7–1–49–0; Tunnicliffe, 8–0–34–0; Wood, 8–3–29–1; Oldham, 8–0–51–3.

DERBYSHIRE First Innings

J G Wright, l-b-w b Willis 108
†S Anderson, c Asif Din b Gifford 33
*K J Barnett l-b-w b Old 11
A Hill, b Gifford 3
B Wood, b Willis 10
G Miller, not out 27
C J Tunnicliffe not out 14
Extras (B5 LB10 W1 NB1) 17
S Oldham did not bat. P G Newman, R W Taylor, O Mortensen and—
Total for five Wkts (38.3 overs) 223
FALL OF WICKETS: 1–113, 2–140, 3–147, 4–178, 5–189.
BOWLING: Willis, 8.0.21.2; Hogg, 7.0.49.0; Ferreira, 8.0.36.0; Old, 7.3.0.37.1; Gifford, 8.0.54.2.
Umpires: H D Bird and D R Shepherd.

Miandad leaves his mark

TRENT BRIDGE: Glamorgan (4pts) beat Nottinghamshire by 11 runs.

Javed Miandad, in his last game for Glamorgan before the Prudential World Cup, helped his county to victory over Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge in the John Player League yesterday.

Glamorgan had failed to assert any authority during the early stages of their innings after electing to bat, but Miandad's arrival changed all that. Then an outstanding piece of fielding by him late in the game brought an end to Nottinghamshire's chances of reaching their victory target of 201 in 39 overs.

Miandad and his third-wicket partner, John Thomas, added 63 in eight overs and needed only five overs to put on 50 together. The Pakistan batsman finished with 62 and Thomas produced his best John Player League performance of 37.

Nottinghamshire were always ahead of the required run rate, particularly with Randall at the crease, but when 75 Randall attempted a risky second run and Miandad threw down the stumps from 25 yards with the batsman well short of his ground. From that point Nottinghamshire's task was too steep. Despite a brave 26 from Johnson they were all out for 189 with two balls remaining.

GLAMORGAN

A Jones, c Randall b Cooper 34
J A Hopkins, l-b-w b Hendrick 23
Javed Miandad b Hadlee 62
A L Jones l-b-w b Cooper 12
D A Francis, b Hemmings 15
J G Thomas, run out 37
*E W Jones not out 0
B J Lloyd not out 1
Extras (lb 10, w 4, nb 2) 16
Total (7 wkts 39 overs) 200
FALL OF WICKETS: 1–54, 2–71, 3–72, 4–96, 5–118, 6–119.
*M W W Selvey and M A Nash did not bat.
BOWLING: Hadlee, 8-0-40-1; Bore, 8-0-28-0; Hemmings, 8-0-45-1; Hendrick, 7-1-28-1; Cooper, 8-0-42-3.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

B Hassan, l-b-w b Thomas 1
R T Robinson, run out 28
D W Randall, run out 75
R J Hadlee, c Lloyd b Ontong 25
*J D Birch, c Ontong b Lloyd 7
P Johnson, c A L Jones b Thomas 26
†B N French, c Lloyd b Thomas 5
E E Hemmings, c Thomas b Ontong 1
K E Cooper, b Ontong 4
M K Bore, c Selvey b Thomas 1
M Hendrick not out 0
Extras (lb 7, w 7, nb 2) 16
Total (38.4 overs) 189
FALL OF WICKETS: 1–2, 2–49, 3–101, 4–137, 5–157, 6–167, 7–173, 8–181, 9–189.
BOWLING: Thomas, 7.4-0-41-4; Nash, 8-0-21-1; Selvey, 7-0-37-0; Ontong, 8-0-35-3; Lloyd, 8-0-39-1.
Umpires: J W Harris and B J Meyer.

Greenidge: man of century

Love hits them for six

MIDDLESBROUGH: Yorkshire (4 pts) beat Hampshire by six wickets.

Jim Love and Neil Hartley shared an unbroken partnership of 150 to lead Yorkshire to their highest-ever John Player League total and victory over Hampshire at Middlesbrough.

Yorkshire needed 145 off the final 15 overs. With Love making 82, including four sixes, and Hartley 67. They raced to the target with seven balls to spare.

Hampshire set a formidable target of 255 for nine as Gordon Greenidge led a fierce assault on the Yorkshire attack, hitting five sixes and five fours in his 89. He became only the second player – behind Viv Richards – to pass 100 sixes in the competition.

HAMPSHIRE

C G Greenidge c Love b Illingworth 89
V P Terry c Dennis b Stevenson 17
D R Turner b Stevenson 7
T E Jesty c Hartley b Jarvis 15
M C J Nicholas run out 58
*N E J Pocock b Illingworth 21
N D Marshall run out 16
N G Cowley b Sidebottom 4
T M Tremlett run out 1
†R J Parks not out 0
Extras (l-b 10, w 2, nb 2) 14
Total (9 wkts, 40 overs) 255
FALL OF WICKETS: 1–39, 2–62, 3–93, 4–155, 5–185, 6–202, 7–238, 8–254, 9–255.
S J Malone did not bat.
BOWLING: Jarvis 8-0-58-1; Dennis 8-0-39-0; Stevenson 8-2-57-2; Sidebottom 8-0-41-1; Illingworth 8-0-47-2.

YORKSHIRE

K Sharp, c Turner b Nicholas 49
G Boycott, c Greenidge b Cowley 8
C W J Athey, c Parks b Cowley 29
G B Stevenson, c Jesty b Cowley 14
S N Hartley, not out 67
J D Love, not out 82
Extras (b1, lb9, w6, nb1) 17
Total (4 wkts, 38.5 overs) 257
†D L Bairstow, S J Dennis, A Sidebottom, P Illingworth and P W Jarvis did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1–21, 2–83, 3–98, 4–107
BOWLING: Marshall, 8-0-28-0; Malone, 7.5-0-41-0; Cowley, 8-1-39-3; Nicholas, 8-0-67-1; Tremlett, 7-0-70-0.
Umpires: D G L Evans and M J Kitchen.

John Player League

	P	W	L	NR	P
Somerset (9)	5	3	0	2	1
Yorkshire (16)	5	3	1	1	[illegible]
Derbyshire (12)	4	2	[illegible]	2	[illegible]
Glamorgan (10)	4	2	0	2	[illegible]
Kent (4)	4	2	0	2	1
Hampshire (5)	5	2	2	1	1
Lancashire (10)	5	1	1	3	1
Middlesex (2)	5	1	2	2	5
Surrey (12)	5	0	1	4	8
Essex (3)	4	0	1	3	5
Gloucestershire (14)	3	0	0	3	6
Leicestershire (8)	4	0	1	3	5
Nottinghamshire (5)	4	1	2	1	6
Warwickshire (17)	4	0	2	2	4
Worcestershire (15)	3	0	1	2	4

(1982 positions in brackets)

NO PLAY YESTERDAY

BRISTOL: Match abandoned. Gloucestershire 2 pts, Surrey 2.
TAUNTON: Match abandoned. Somerset 2 pts, Essex 2.

Turner in gallery form

ARUNDEL: Match abandoned

Glenn Turner, New Zealand's prolific run maker, had time to give his great rival, Dennis Lillee, a pounding at Arundel before a remarkable storm washed out the two-day match against Australia. Hail, the size of table tennis balls, covered the outfield like a white blanket in minutes, leaving Lloyd Budd and John Langridge, the umpires, with little alternative but to give up hope of any further play. One spectator was cut on the cheek before he had time to take shelter.

Earlier it was Lillee who had to take cover as Turner's flashing bat punished him for four successive fours. Lillee's eight overs cost 52, then Turner turned his attention to Lawson

Turner had made 47 out of 63 in 11 overs when Lawson had him leg-before, but Edgar (50 not out) and Jeff Crowe (39 not out) took New Zealand to 140 for one in 29 overs

AUSTRALIA: 367 for 9 dec (G N Yallop 103 not out, A R Border 89). Bowling: Snedden, 16-6-37-1, ?-?-?, 16-7-30-1; Cairns, 10-5-59-1, Bracewell, 25-7-78-2; M D Crowe, 16-2-62-2, Gray, 11-1-36-0; Coney, 8-0-35-1; J J Crowe, 1-0-7-0.

NEW ZEALAND:

G M Turner, l-b-w, b Lawson 47
B A Edgar, not out 50
J J Crowe, not out 39
Extras (lb 2, nb 2) 4
Total (1 wkt, 29 overs) 140
*G P Howarth, M D Crowe, †I D Smith, E Gray, B L Cairns, J G Bracewell, M C Snedden and E J Chatfield did not bat.
FALL OF WICKET: 1–63.
BOWLING: Lawson, 7-2-26-1; Lillee, 8-0-52-0; Hogg, 8-0-32-0; MacLeary, 4-1-14-0; Hogan, 2-0-7-0; Thomson, 2-0-5-0.
Umpires: W L Budd and J L Langridge.

OTHER MATCH

LEICESTER: Leicestershire, 257 for five (B Davison 132). Zimbabwe 235 (I Butchart 56). Leicestershire won by 22 runs.

BOWLS

Rainy season lifts Hongkong

By Gordon Allan

At various times, we had thunder, lightning, rain, and hailstones as big as marbles at Beach House Park, Worthing, yesterday. We also had some bowling. In the final of the Kodak Masters tournament, George Souza of Hong Kong beat David Bryant, the holder, 21-19.

When the score was 18-18, a downpour stopped play for half an hour. A quarter of an hour after that, when nearly everybody had gone home, it was all over. Souza scored two singles, Bryant one, and then, with Bryant holding game, Souza drew the shot he needed with his last wood.

There is no telling what would have happened if the great British climate had not intervened. Varying the length of the mat, Bryant seemed to be going away steadily towards his fourth title, but Souza would not be discouraged either by Bryant's tactics or the alien conditions. The circumstances were not satisfactory, but it is good to have a new name on the trophy. They agreed to share the first and second prize money, with each receiving £3,740.

In the semi-final round, Souza beat last year's runner-up, John Snell, of Australia, 21-13. Snell never settled to a length, which is what the game is about. He had one stroke of luck, which brought him four shots, when Souza nudged the jack too far. That made the score 16-7. Otherwise, little went right for Snell.

Bryant beat Peter Belliss, of New Zealand, 21-8. It was not quite so one-sided as the score suggests. Belliss bowled well enough to have beaten most players, but not Bryant, who was at his relaxed best from the outset. We saw a perfect example of the Bryant drive. Belliss had two balls close in. Bryant picked the jack up cleanly and deposited it in the ditch six yards away, with his wood nestling unbeatably beside it.

RESULTS: Saturday: Section A: B Gill (Can) 21, W Wood (Scot) 20; G Souza (Hong Kong) 21, Gill, 15; D Bryant (Eng) 21, Wood 10. Section B: P Belliss (NZ) 21, B McInnes (US) 13; J Snell (Aus) 21, G Beare (Zim) 19; McInnes 21, Beare, 18. Yesterday: semi-finals: Souza 21, Snell 13; Bryant 21, Belliss 8. Final: Souza 21, Bryant 19.

SHOOTING

Hesketh Bank, Southport: Home countries international skeet match: 1, England, 944 out of 1000; 2, Scotland, 929; 3, Ireland, 904; 4, Wales, 903. Highest individual scorer: G. Taylor, (England), 100 out of 100. Other teams high guns: Ireland, (A Willis) 98, Wales, (T Griffiths) 96, Scotland, (I Marsden) 96. TAMWORTH: English Grand Prix: Automobile Ball Trap: 1, P Bowden, 98 out of 100; 2, C Bloxham, 97 (after shoot-off); 3, R Dodds, 97. Women: A. Littleford, 84; Juniors: I Lloyd, 91; Veterans: W Beazley, 92.

POWERBOATS

VENICE: European series. Second race: Class L: 1, E Toleman and H Smith (GB) 2hr 39min; 2, A Simania and R Della Valle (It).

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ATHLETICS: JAVELIN THROWERS TAKE THE HONOURS

Miss Sanderson sets UK record as she climbs world rankings

By Pat Butcher

A high wind in the fce is normally cause for concern among most athletes, and it contributed to the slowest Emsley Carr mile in 18 years, won by Sebastian Coe. But a bad wind produces sweet music in the ears of javelin throwers, the sort of music that makes records. And the British women and Soviet men throwers came into their own in the match at Birmingham yesterday.

A javelin launched at the proper trajectory just rides and rides o the wind, and Heino Puuste broke the Soviet record with 94.20 metres, and his team colleague, the Olympic champion, Dainis Kula threw 91.88 metres. Anything over 90 metres is world class among men, and anything approaching 70 metres is the same for the women. So when Tessa Sanderson and Fatima Whitbread threw 70.82 metres and 67.46 metres respectively, both personal bests, their broad smiles were hard to blow away. These performances placed them third and sixth in the world rankings this year.

They had a few words of criticism for the lack of awareness of field events in Britain and suggested that they might be considered as the Coe and Ovett of their neglected discipline. However hard it may be to persuade public and press that there is any comparison, at least these two fine athletes compete against each other.

Coe was in a class of his own, in the mile despite the slow time of 4min 03.37sec. The only possible danger, Nikolai Kirov, the Olympic 800 metres bronze medal winner behind Ovett and Coe, launched a full out sprint 200 metres from home to try and gain the initiative, but Coe refused to be passed, and then won as he pleased.

Of the six British individual victors, Miss Sanderson's new national record won her the award for the best women's performance, and Luke Watson's continuing emergence towards being a world-class sprinter, was rewarded with the men's trophy.

Watson finished a close second in the 100 metres and then set a personal best for the second week running in the 200 metres, winning in 20.62 sec, which is also a qualifying time for the world championships.

As expected with such a strong team, filled with world record holders, Olympic and European champions, the Soviet Union easily won the match, but the last word was reserved ffor the local hero Phil Brown. The last lap of a 4x400 meters is one of the most tactical of any race, and Brown wisely let the Olympic champion, Viktor Markin lead off the last lap. Markin tried to pace himself from the front, but Brown is becoming invincible at this game, and took Markin, the race, and the grateful applause of 10,000 home crowd.



Coe wins the mile as he pleases but his time is slow.

All the results from Birmingham

Men

100 METRES: 1, V Brizgin (USSR), 10.72sec; 2, I Watson (GB), 10.73; 3, D McMaster (GB), 10.91; 4, A Aksinin (USSR), 10.93.
200 METRES: 1, L Watson (GB), 20.62; 2, V Muravjev (USSR), 20.85; 3, D McMaster (GB), 20.87; 4, S Sokolov (USSR), 20.97.
100 METRES HURDLES: 1, H Prokofev (USSR), 13.82; 2, N Walker (GB), 14.31; 3, P Brice (GB), 14.32; 4, J Perevedenzev (USSR), 14.38.
400 METRES: 1, V Markin (USSR), 14.82; 2, E Lomtev (USSR), 47.32; 3, A Slack (GB, 47.61; 4, K Akabusi (GB), 47.65.
400 METRES HURDLES: 1, V Arkhipenko (USSR), 49.80; 2, V Butko (USSR), 50.46; 3, A Yatsevich (USSR), 50.48; 4, P Beattie (GB), 51.90.
800 METRES: 1, P Elliott (GB), 1min 47.51sec; 2, R Harrison (GB), 1:47.81; 3, D Taylor (GB), 1:50.9[illegible]; 4, M Rudjak (USSR), 1:51.21.
3,000 METRES: 1, A Krokhmaluk (USSR), 7mins [illegible]sec; 2, R Callan (GB), 7:56.09; 3, D [illegible] (GB), 7:57.04; 4, J Lotarev (USSR), 8:13.74.
4 x 100 METRES RELAY: 1, USSR, 39.61; 2, GB 39.83.
3,000 STEEPLECHASE: 1, Y Prus (USSR), 8min 38.51; 2, [illegible]shin (USSR), 8:41.07; 3, E Wedderburn (GB), [illegible]45.12; 4, N Natinshenko (USSR), 8:45.65.
TRIPLE JUMP: [illegible] N Musienko (USSR), 16.55m (54ft 3½ins); [illegible] Herbert (GB), 16.18; 3, V Inozemtsev (USSR), [illegible].15; 4, C Duncan (GB), 15.62.
LONG JUMP: 1, R [illegible] (USSR), 7.87m [illegible]; 2, C [illegible] (USSR), 6.88; 3, D Brown (GB), 7.58; 4, D Costello (GB), 7.53.
JAVELIN: 1, H Puuste (USSR), 94.20m (309ft 1in); 2, D Kula (USSR), 91.88; 3, P Yates (GB), 84.90; 4, S Glebov (USSR), 77.18.
SHOT: 1, S Smirnov (USSR), 20.23m (66ft 4¼ins); 2, D Stukouls (USSR), 19.91; 3, M Petrov (USSR), 17.96; 4, N Tabor (GB), 17.09.
DISCUS: 1, R Ubartas (USSR), 65.28m (214ft 2ins); 2, P Gordon (GB), 57.20; 3, V Murashov (USSR), 56.94; 4, P Mardle (GB), 55.98.
Hammer: 1, V Tamm (USSR), 76.38m (250ft 7in); 2, A Efinov (USSR), 72.88; 3, A Seleznev (USSR); 71.20; 4, M Girvan (GB), 70.64.
High jump: 1, S Zastrovtch (USSR), 2.24m (7ft 4¼in); 2, G Avkeenko (USSR), 2.2m; 3, D Parsons (GB), 2.10; 4, Y Sergienko (USSR), 2.10.
Pole vault: 1, N Selivaov (USSR), 5.50m (18ft ¼in); [illegible] J Gutteridge (GB), 5.40; 3, D Sossov (USSR), 5.30; 4, W Davey (GB), 5.20.
10,000 metres walk: 1, A Khmelnitski (USSR), 43min 43.68sec; 2, R Sheppard (GB), 44:48.87; 3, T Berrett (GB), 45:10.70; 4, G White (GB), 45:26.80.
Emsley Carr mile: 1, S Coe (GB), 4min 3.27sec; 2, J Gladwin (GB), 4:4.86; 3, N Kirov (USSR), 4:5.16; 4, G Turnbull (GB), 4:5.53.
400 METRES HURDLES: 1, A Ambrozene (USSR), 54.7 (UK all-comers record); 2, E Filipishing (USSR), 54.72; 3, S Morley (GB), 58.32; 4, G Taylor (GB), 57.78.
WOMEN'S 200 METRES: 1, L Gurina (USSR), 1min 59.60sec; 2, E Podkopaeva (USSR), 2:0.91; 3, L Baker (GB), 2:4.15; 4, S Bailey (GB), 2:6.96.
1500 METRES: 1, R Aglatdinova (USSR), 3min 59.31sec (UK all-comers record); 2, T Kazankina (USSR), 4:3.48; 3, W Sly (GB), 4:7.52; 4, K Carter (GB), 4:22.43.
3,000 METRES: 1, S Umasova (USSR), 8min 48.40sec; 2, C Benning (GB), 8:52.21; 3, E Sipatova (USSR), 8:58.39; 4, Y Murray (GB), 9:15.04.
5,000 metres: 1, V Abramov (USSR), 13min 54.85sec; 2, V Chursakov (USSR), 13:56.47; 3, M Chorlton (GB), 13:55.70; 4, J Richards (GB), 14:2.47.
4 x 400 metres relay: 1 GB, 3:9.75; 2, USSR, 3:9.90.
MATCH: USSR 239pts, GB 189.

Women

100 METRES: 1, S Thomas (GB), 11.81sec; 2, K Jeffrey (GB), 11.93; 3, S Gmsarova (USSR), 11.98; 4, O Zolotareva (USSR), 11.98.
200 METRES: 1, K Cook (GB), 23.0; 2, S Whittaker (GB), 23.5; 3, S Dinogradova (USSR), 23.7; 4, H Barnett (GB), 23.7.
4 x 100 METRES RELAY: 1, GB, 44.93; 2, USSR, 45.37.
100 METRES HURDLES: 1, M Merchuk (USSR), 13.19; 2, V Komisova (USSR), 13.21; 3, S Strong (GB), 13.40; 4, P Rollo (GB), 13.54.
400 METRES: 1, M Pinegina (USSR) and E Korban (USSR), 52.10; 3, J Hoyte-Smith (GB), 53.38; 4, A Reid (GB), 54.79.
JAVELIN: 1, T Sanderson (GB), 70.82m (233 ft 4 ins). Commonwealth and UK record; 2, F Whitbread (GB), 67.46; 3, G Iseeva (USSR), 59.38; 4, G Kondrina (USSR), 57.98.
HIGH JUMP: 1, L Koslzyna (USSR), 1.90m (6ft 2¾ins); 2, G Evans (GB), 1.90; 3, E Topehina (USSR), 1.88; 4, M Doronina (USSR), and J Boyle (GB), 1.81.
LONG JUMP: 1, J Oladopo (GB), 6.39m (20ft 11¼); 2, C Earlington (GB), 6.38; 3, M Merchul (USSR), 6.15; 4, N Shevchevko (USSR), 6.04.
SHOT: 1, A Abashidze (USSR) 18.26 (59ft 11ins); 2, V Head (GB), 18.12; 3, D Binbalte (USSR), 17.38; 4, V Fedushina (USSR), 16.49.
DISCUS: 1, V Head (GB), 62.72m (205ft 9ins); 2, L Platonova (USSR), 61.96; 3, L Whiteley (GB), 57.00; 4, J McKernan (GB), 46.66.
4 x 400 METRES RELAY: 1, USSR, 3:32.84; 2, GB, 39.27.
MATCH: USSR 153½, GB 146½.

Jones first to take last Finnish place

Stockholm (Reuter) – Hugh Jones scored a win in his first marathon race in a year when he won the Stockholm event yesterday in 2hr 11min and 37sec, an excellent time considering his physical condition.

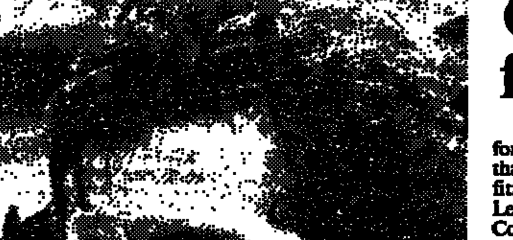
Jones, who was injured for the European Championships last year after winning the London Marathon, was with the leaders throughout and he beat Agapius Masong, of Tanzania, by 17 seconds.

Paul Cummings, the American, who led two kilometres from the end, suffered cramps in both legs and finished third in 2hr 12min 39sec.

Jones's victory earned him a place in Britain's team for the World Championships in Helsinki in August. He needed only to better 2hr 17min after recording 2hr 09min 24sec to win in London last May. He had surgery on both ankles late last year.

A 37-year-old Swede, Tuulike Raeisaenan, won the women's race from 650 rivals

LEADERS: Men: 1, H Jones (GB) 2:11:37; 2, A Masong (Tan) 2:11:54; 3, Paul Cummings (US) 2:12:39; 4, D Tibeduiza (Col) 2:12:45; 5, K-E Staahl (Swe) 2:12:48; 6, O Dahl (Nor) 2:13:51. WOMEN: 1, T Raeisaenen (Swe) 2:36:58; 2, R K Stolp (US) 2:37:44; 3, R van Landeghem (Bel) 2:40:39. 5, G Burley (GB) 2:42:54. 7, C Gould (GB) 2:44:05.



Laurels for the hardy: Jones after winning in Stockholm

Finding form at school

Houston (Reuter) – Keith Connor, the Commonwealth triple jump record-holder, helped Southern Metodist University to win the men's section of the National Collegiate Athletic Association track and field championships with a winning jump of 17.26 metres (56ft 7½in) on Saturday.

Another British athlete, Bob Weir, won the hammer with throw of 74.42 metres (244ft 2in), also competing for Southern Methodist.

Bert Cameron of Jamaica ran the world's fastest 400 metres this year, 44.62sec, with Sunday Uti, of Nigeria, second in 44.96sec.

● Bucharest (Reuter) – Anisoara Cusmir, of Romania, set a world's women's long jump record of 7.43 metres on Saturday, 22cm more than her previous record of 7.21 metres. She broke her old record, set only last month, with her first jump at the Romanian international championship, with 7.27 metres, and produced the 7.43 on her fifth jump.

Good news for Holton

Mark Holton, the high hurdler form Wolverhampton, showed signs that he is winning his fight for fitness during the GRE British League second round match at Cosford yesterday.

Holton is one of several athletes to have suffered early-season injuries. But the United Kingdom record holder won the 110 metres hurdles in 14.1sec to equal the league's best time. It is the fastest performance this season in Britain. Holton, recovering form a knee injury, finished two metres ahead of wilbert Greeves of Haringey.

FIRST DIVISION: 1, Birchfield Harriers, 251pts. 2, Haringey, 240. 3, Shaftsbury Harriers, 234. 4, Wolverhampton and Bilston, 232. 5, Sale Harriers, 173. 6, Liverpool, 128. Positions after two meetings: 1, Haringey, 484. 2, Birchfield, 481. 3, Shaftsbury, 474. 4, Wolverhampton and Bilston 413. 5, Sale, 357. 6. Liverpool, 295. SECOND DIVISION: 1, Newham and Essex Beagles, 250. 2, Blackheath, 234. 3, Thames Valley, 229. 4, Edinburgh, 190. 5, Epsom, 183. 6, Cardiff, 169. DIVISION THREE: 1, Southampton, 235. 2, Aldershot, 221. 3, Luton, 203. 4, Edinburgh SH, 201. 5, Enfield, 199. 6, Leeds, 183.

GOLF: A WIZARD DAY FOR THE WELSH

The day a little man from the valleys became 10ft tall

By John Hennessy, Golf Correspondent

Ian Woosnam, who stands not much higher than his golf bags, won the Silk Cut Masters tournament at St Pierre, Chepstow, yesterday thereby sending the long suffering Welsh spectators home in a glow of national pride after Philip Parkin had also won the Amateur championships the previous day. "It'll do wonders for Plaid Cymru on Thursday" someone said.

They have developed webbed feet these last four dripping days but it was all made worthwhile not only by their compatriot's victory, his firts in Britain, but by the manner of it. With Bernard Gallacher (one oi his two playing partners) in hot pursuit, together with Nick Faldo and Gordon Brand senior in the match ahead, the pressure was unrelenting, but Woosnam stood the test magnificently, never once going above par until he arrived at the 18th knowing that he had four putts from 10 feet for the title. Woosnam had a last round of 65, six under par, for a total of 269 to beat Gallacher (68 yesterday) by three strokes and Faldo (also 68) by four.

Woosnam won £16,660 but, just as important, he survived a severe test of character. He is 25 and won his first tournament, the Swiss Open only last year. It may be that in the years ahead we shall look upon this as the day when Woosnam came of age as a professional golfer of substance, a man to accompany Faldo, Lyle and others in carrying the flag for Britain in the Ryder Cup and elsewhere.

With £23,784 in prize money this year Woosnam, who was fourth in the PGA championship last week, has taken a long step towards securing a place in the 12 man Ryder Cup team to play the United States in Florida in October. He now stands fourth in the list.

He played superbly, of course, for the wind had got up and conditions were correspondingly more difficult, but it was the courage of the little man, 5ft 4½in tall (he is particular about that last ½ inch) that really stamped him as a man of depth.

At the eighth (309 yards), for instance, where Gallacher took an iron off the tee for safety, Woosnam unsheathed his driver without giving a thought to the line of trees to his left or the huge horse chestnut intruding on the right. He hit a prodigious ball, only 30 yards or so from the green.

Severiano Ballesteros had removed himself from the reckoning with a 76 on Saturday but nothing it seems can remove him from the limelight. He played another round bristling with incident, from the moment he opened with three successive birdies. He finished with a 68, but it all counted for nothing in the end, for an eagle eyed spectator had detected an irregularity in his card on Thursday and he had to be disqualified.

A recent development in the field of public relations enables spectators to acquire photocopies of players' cards. One took Ballesteros's card home and telephoned the tournament office yesterday morning to point out that the Spanish champion had not started 4, 2, 3, as the card stated but 4, 3, 2, as had correctly been reported to the press. Ballesteros was relegated to the end of the field of 75 for a prize of £200, exactly the same as his brother Manuel's reward for finishing last of the 61 players who beat the 36 hole cut. Otherwise Severiano, who would have shared thirteenth place, would have won £1,500.



Woosnam: courage stamped him as a man of depth.

Final scores (GB unless stated)

269: I Woosnam 68, 69, 67, 65 (£16,600).
272: B Gallacher 68, 67, 68, 68 (£11,100).
273: N Faldo 69, 67, 69, 67 (£6,260).
274: G Norman 67, 71, 68, 68 (£5,000).
275: B Waites 70, 65, 71, 69; J M Cañizares 65, 70, 72, 68 (3,620 each).
276: G Brand 72, 65, 68, 71 (£3,000).
277: K Brown 66, 70, 70, 71 (£2,500).
279: D Durnian 71, 70, 70, 68; S Lyle 70, 70, 69, 70; H Henning (SA) 68, 70, 73, 73 (£2,026 each).
280: J Bland (SA) 71, 70, 68, 71 (£1,720).
281: B Barnes 71, 69, 66, 75; B Langer (WG) 71, 67, 67, 76.
282: N Coles 73, 71, 67, 71.
284: C Mason 69, 68, 77, 70; E Darcy 72, 69, 72, 71; R Rafferty 69, 71, 73, 71.
285: D Frost 72, 71, 71, 71; D J Russell 71, 74, 69, 71; G Brand Jr 69, 72, 71, 73; R Chapman 70, 70, 71, 74.
286: B Charles 70, 72, 72, 72; J Anderson 70, 72, 72, 72; V Fernadez (Arg) 71, 74, 69, 72; J Angleda (SP) 72, 73, 69, 72; J Hawkes (SA) 74, 71, 68, 73
287: M Montes (Sp) 76, 68, 72, 71; R Drummond 74, 71, 71, 71; B Longmuir 73, 70, 72, 72; M Bembridge 70, 74, 68, 75; D Feherty 69, 72, 70, 76.
288: H Clark 71, 71, 75, 71; C Peete (US) 77, 71, 69, 71; P Elson 72, 70, 72, 74.

Parkin's victory has the ring of conviction

By Peter Ryde

Younger men than 21-year-old Philip Parkin have won the Amateur championship, but it is hard to think of anyone who has shown more eagerness than he did at Turnberry on Saturday. His defeat of an experienced rival American Walker Cup player, Jim Holtgrieve, aged 35, by five and four was the climax to a memorable fortnight for him and he was not ashamed to show his delight.

That same eagerness had sustained him through an arduous week of rough weather, the coldness of which severely tried the strong American entry. Parkin seems to enjoy even the weather, or rather to ignore it for he never bothered to clothe his lanky frame in waterproofs, and he was with difficulty restrained between his matches from rushing out to watch how others were faring.

Parkin is a Welsh international because, although born in Yorkshire, his home is now in Newtown, Montgomeryshire, of whose nine hole course he is a member. He has spent one year at a university in Texas which insists on attention to studies for first year men, so that Amercian golf coaching has not had time to make much influence on his game. Apart perhaps from a more thorough putting preparation, the talent is largely his own as it was when he galloped away with the youths championship at St Andrews last year.

Parkin's victory had the ring of conviction. He had led the qualifying by two stroles; then on the giant Ailsa course that yielded only five birdies between the two of them throughout the final, Parkin was 74 for the morning round and level par in the afternoon. He jumped into an early lead and was never caught; the only doubt came when he took three putts at the fourth, sixth and eighth and one began to wonder whether he would be forgiven for failing to take his chances. But he steadied and his aggressive start after lunch changed all that.

Neither drove specially well but Holtgrieve's tee shots proved more destructive. Parkin played a number of stroke-saving shots round the green, so often needed on a course of many long par-fours, but specially admired were his magnificent long irons

The immediate after-glow of a championship victory is not the time to plan the future, but there is no douubt that Parkin would like, if he can, to take advantage of the chances offered by amateur golf in the next year or so: a trip to the Masters at Augusta, to Hongkong for the Eisenhower Trophy, and in 1985 a chance to meet the Americans again on their home ground at Pine Valley. The very thought of it makes him rub his hands in glee. Meanwhile, nearly three months of golf in Europe lie ahead for him.

FINAL: P Parkin bt J Holtgrieve (US), 5 and 4.

EQUESTRIANISM: MRS JENSEN THE DRESSAGE QUEEN

Hail the Goodwood champion

By Jenny MacArthur

After two glorious days the heavens opened yesterday and hailstones larger than golf-balls *forced the abandonment of the last* class, the freestyle test to music, at the tenth Goodwood International Dressage Championships, sponsored by Inchcape PLC.

The unfortunate horse in the arena, Denmark's Halla II, bolted for the stables slipped up on the road in doing so, and was badly bruised. Goodwood House was flooded during the downpour and fire engines rushed to the scene.

Anne Grethe Jensen from Denmark continued to dominate the championships when she won yesterday's Grand Prix Special, the most demanding of international dressage tests, on her Danish-bred Marzog.

Mrs Jensen's graceful performances during the three days of dressage in front of Goodwood House, the home of the Earl and Countess of March, brought her victory in the Intermediaire II and the Grand Prix class as well as in the Special.

Marzog's performance yesterday lacked the sparkle of Saturday's Grand Prix test, and he stiffend a little in his piaffes, but it was good enough to put his opponents in the shade. His nearest rival was Jan Bemelmas from Germany, who finished 85 marks behind on Angelino. Britain's Jennie Loriston-Clarke and Dutch Courage took third place.

It will be interesting to see how Mrs Jensen fares at the European championships at Aachen at the end of the month, when she will be *competing against Germany's leading* riders, including Reiner Klimke, the world champion, whom she beat at Dortmund, the only occasion she has competed against him this year.

Mrs Loriston-Clarke's 15-year-old stallion, Dutch Courage had been distracted in Friday's Intermediaire II class and could only finish in ninth place. His inattentiveness was understandable when it was learnt that straight after his test, he had been taken home to Hampshire to cover a mare, before returning for Saturday's grand prix in which the same three horses filled the first three places as in yesterday's class.

It is always a source of amazement among dressage enthusiasts that Dutch Courage can continue with stud duties in between his top-class dressage *performances. His* test yesterday was supple and accurate. As is customary, he shone in the exacting movements of piaffe and pirouette although his passage lacks impulsion.

Only the top 12 riders in Saturday's grand prix class were elegible for yesterday's special class, and the only other British rider was Tanya Larrigan on Salute, who gained a creditable 1,157 marks.

RESULTS: Grand Prix Special: Judges: Mrs A Morgan, W Niggli, Mrs J Hall, Col G Nyblaeus, J Pott: 1, Marzog, A Jensen (Den) 1,420; 2, Angelino, J Bemelmans (WG) 1,335; 3, Dutch Courage, J Loriston-Clarke 1,303. Grand Prix: 1, Marzog, 1,766; 2, Angelino, 1,642; 3, Dutch Courage, 1,637. Team event: 1, Switzerland 3,163; 2, Denmark 3,098; 3, Britain 3,084.

A clear win for Pinxter

By a Special Correspondent

John Brown and Campbell Graham's Dutch mare, Pinxter, scored a decisive victory in the Royal Bath and West's final show-jumping competition, the Radio Rental Stakes, with the only clear round. Both Tony Newbery on The *Rascal and Lionel Dunning* on Boysie seemed likely to ensure a jump-off, but each had the final fence down to share second place with three others.

The Saab Talent Spotters' Competition resulted in a win for Jean Germany on her German-bred grey, Whisper Grey, followed by Lionel Dunning with Malt Street and Tony Newbery on his young horse, Soho. Dunning overtook Nick Skelton to win the Cockburn Leading Gentleman Rider award of £500.

RESULTS: Saab Talent Spotters' Competition: 1, J Germany, Whisper Grey; 2, L Dunning, Malt Street; 3, T Newbery, Soho. Radio Rentals Stakes: 1, J Brown, Pinxter; 2 equal, T Newbery, The Rascal; M Armstrong, Flying Wild; S Hadley, Corunna Bay; L Dunning, Boysie; P Dunning, Fearless.

Memieux the master

By a Special Correspondent

Robert Memieux won the CCA Section at the Bramham Horse Trials in Yorkshire yesterday. Riding his own The Gamesmaster, he led throughout the dressage and cross-country phases, an impressive achievement, for the horse has not competed since he won at Rushall in April because of lameness. The partnership was also held up on the cross-country phase for five minutes just before the coffin, because of a faller.

Second was Diana Clapham with Welton Crackerjack and Sally Ann Evans third on Helsinki. The British Young Riders' championship was won by Jonquil Sainsbury, aged 20, on her Mr Moon. She led through all three phases of the event, giving a consistent performance in spite of a hold-up on the cross-country, "luckily after the worst fences", she said. Three fences down in the show jumping did not affect her position.

She also received the Range Rover Young Riders Challenge Trophy and training bursary for £250, which she plans to spend on tuition from Jill Watson "who has given so much help."

RESULTS: CCA Section: 1, The Gamesmaster, R Lemieux, 81.60; 2, Welton Crackerjack; D Clapham, 85.40; 3, Helsinki, S Evans, 94.00. *Standard Section: 1, Sir Wattie, I Stark*, 63.55; 2, Welton Appolo, L Huggins, 67 60; 3, Oxford Blue, I Stark, 83.95 Young Riders' Championship: 1, Mr Moon, J Sainsbury, 72.50; 2, Rugan, C Murdoch, 76.00; 3, Gin and Orange, A M Taylor, 80.50 British Junior Championship: 1, Spirit of Calvados, S Ambler, 55.85; 2, Fleet Water Opposition, H Brown, 58.2; 3, Arizona, J Search, 61.5.

ROWING



Why this can be a Grand year for Cambridge

By Jim Railton

The Nottinghamshire international regatta provided many surprises yesterday on an extremely rough course. The most spectactular was Cambridge University's win in the men's heavyweight eights, coming home almost 2½ lengths clear of London University, with the Australian and French national eights tumbling in their wake.

Cambridge, with seven of the Boat Race crew who lost to Oxford by 4½ lengths nine weeks ago, led the eights final from start to finish. In the rough conditions, the French and Australians were surprisingly unable to cope. Only last week in Ratzeburg, the Australians had broken the course record, but yesterday they were rowed down by London University in the last 200 metres, to finish in third place.

On this performance, Cambridge University have posted their intentions for Henley's Grand this year, not to say the 1984 Boat Race. To crown the weekend, the Cambridge University women's boat club won the eights race on Saturday and gave the ARA national squad a close race for second place yesterday.

Seven nations shared the medals over the weekend. British crews won seven of the men's heavyweight events, with a strong Italian lightweight men's team taking away five gold medals. But among the surprising defeats yesterday was Miss Beryl Mitchell, who went down to an unknown French sculler, and the Swiss world championship heavyweight coxless four, which lost to Sweden, who had the sculler, Hans Svensson on board.

Miss Mitchell could not come to terms with her equipment yesterday. She was the only sculler in the field using a sliding rigger boat, and this can be suspect in rough water. The French sculler, Corinne le Moal, led yesterday throughout, and Miss Mitchell just could not get on terms. "Even worse, I suddenly spotted a spider climbing over my shoes halfway down the course."

It was particulary heartening for the local organizers to see Nottinghamshire Country Rowing Association – an amalgam of local clubs – score a fine win in Saturday's lightweight coxless fours.

MEN'S HEAVYWEIGHTS: Coxed fours: 1, Kingston (GB); 2, France; 3, Amateur Rowing Association (GB), no time taken. Double sculls: 1, Spencer-Jones and Baillieu (GB); 2, Bengtsson and Bengtsson (Swe); 3, Crispon and Renault (Fr), no time taken. Coxless pairs: 1, Cadoux-Hudson and Clift (GB), 6 min 53.72 sec; 2, Bland and Stanhope (GB), 6:59.03; 3, Fischer and Wechsler (Switz), 7:04.96. Single sculls: 1, T MacLaren (Aus), 7:20.67; 2, P Claesson (Swe), 7:25.81; 3, E Arriaga (Mex), 7:38.97. Coxless fours: 1, Sweden, 6:10.687; 2, Switzerland, 6:12.18; 3, Nottingham County-Lea, 6:16.96. Quadruple sculls: 1, France, 6:17.14; 2, Mexico, 6:25.84; 3, Kingston (GB), 6:35.65. Eights: 1, Cambridge University, 5:53.02; 2, London University, 6:00.89; 3, Australia, 6:03.64; 4, France, 6:03.64.
LIGHTWEIGHT MEN: Single sculls: 1, R Verroca (It), 7:15.74; 2, L Migliaccio (It), 7:26.85; 3, J Melvin (London), 7:39.13. Coxless fours: 1, Switzerland; 2, Italy; 3, Notts-Lea, no time taken. Double sculls: 1, Italy; 2, Lea (GB); 3, Switzerland, no time taken. Eights: 1, Italy; 2, ARA I (GB); 3, ARA II (GB), no time taken.
WOMEN: Coxed fours: 1, France, 3:32.05; 2, ARA (Howe), 3:33.95; 3, ARA (Cross), 3:35.77. Coxless pairs: 1, ARA, 3:47.16; 2, France, 4:00.74; 3, Weybridge, 4:08.59. Single sculls: 1, C le Moal (Fr), 3:48.22; 2, B Mitchell (GB), 3:53.90; 3, M de la Fuente (Mex), 3:55.98. Coxed quadruple sculls: 1, France, 3:20.19; 2, ARA, 3:26.24. Double sculls: 1, Karlsson and Gustavsson (Swe), 3:33.62; 2, Gamble and Schreiber (Mex), 3:46.67; 3, Allen and Allen (Wallingford), 4:00.44. Eights: 1, ARA, 3:17.56; 2, Cambridge University, 3:19.35; 3, Civil Service, 3:23.78.
OTHER WINNERS: Junior men: double sculls: St Ives, 5:13.00; coxless pairs: Hampton School, 5:18.62; Senior A II women: coxed fours: Kingston, 3:51.68; coxless pairs: Strodes Abingdon, 4:00.56; single sculls: C Steel (Birmingham University), 4:10.29; Senior A men: coxed fours: London University, 6:40.73; double sculls: Kingston, 6:58.19; coxless pairs: London RC, 7:26.41; single sculls: T Crooks (Kingston), 7:39.22; coxless fours: Leander, 6:22.80; eights: Thames Tradesmen, 6:04.19.

POLO

Pony power gives Cowdray the edge

Sunday night's storm, followed by an hour's deluge just before the start of the final of the six-chukka Queen's Cup, sponsored by Dunhill, rendered the Guards Club's grounds soft and slippery but not too treacherous to thwart the battle royal between Cowdray Park and the Centaurs, the two giants of the tournament and the rightful heirs to the final.

In the event a rapid, open match ensued, ending in an 8-7 victory for Lord Cowdray's squad. If there was anything to chose between the teams in pony power, Cowdray, drawing on a larger stable of horses, had the edge over the string fielded by the Centaurs' patron, David Jamison.

Cowdray, aggregating twenty goals on handicap against Centaurs' 22, opened with two goals up on the scoreboard. Centaurs' No 1 Benjy Toda, of Manila, who looks worth more than his handicap of four, reduced this by one in the first 30 seconds and Alan Kent, the All-England six-goaler equalized in the second chukka. But, by half-time, Cowdray, a similarly gritty and determined foursome, were leading 5-3.

Centaurs – with smooth, intelligent interplay between their pivot man, the American national player, Red Armour, and his two forwards, Kent and Toda, and strongly supported at back by Jamison – began to put on the pressure. It was then level pegging until the tally was 7–7 at the end of the sixth chukka, and it was a moment of considerable pride for Lord Cowdray when his son, Charles, slammed home the winner in extra time.

After the Queen handed over the cup to Cowdray Park, she presented David Jamison with the prize for the best pony in the match, his 11-year-old chesnut, Gato, which was ridden by Red Armour.

COWDRAY PARK: 1: C Pearson (2); 2: C Forsyth (16); 3: P Withers(7); back: P Churchward (5).
CENTAURS: 1: B Toda (4); 2: A Kent (7); 3: L Armour III (8); back: D Jamison.

YACHTING

Cudmore moves back on the map

By John Nicholls

Harold Cudmore achieved his first sgnificant win since resigning from the Victory America's Cup syndicate, when he sailed the Irish yacht Justine in the Seine Bay Race, which ended at Gosport yesterday.

The race, organised by the Royal Ocean Racing Club, was used as one of a series of trials for the selection of teams for the Admiral's Cup later in the season. The Irish and French, as well as the British, nominated the race as a trial for their potential teams. Of the British candidates, Dragon (Brian Saffery-Cooper) had the best corrected time, followed by Whirlwind (Noel Lister) and Black Top (David Atkinson). Yeoman XXIII (Robin Aisher), the early season pacemaker in non-trial races, *could only manage fourteenth place.*

Conditions, however, did not suit the higher-rated boats and the leaders, including Justine, all came from the medium area of the ratings band. Light winds at the start kept the fleet together on the first leg and although the larger boats, led by another of the Irish, Moonduster (Denis Doyle) were inevitably first to finish, they were unable to gain sufficient time to win on handicap.

RESULTS: Class I: 1, Yeoman XXIII, R Aisher 37 hr 37 mins 49 secs. 2, Panda, P Whipp 37:47:12. 3, Lady B, Eric Duchemin (Fra) 38:03:15. Class II: 1, Justine, F Woods (Ire) 36:48:47. 2, Diva, B Moureau (Fra) 36:51:28. 3, Dragon, B Saffery-Cooper 38:59:38. Class III: 1, Framboise, G Thompson 38:55:39. 2, Rakau, F Lowson and B Ferris 39:07:47. 3, Pathfinder, RAF Sailing Association 39:21:52. Class IV: 1, Roller Skate, M Delmar-Morgan 38:09:16. 2, La Railleuse, A Faure (Fra) 39:15:15. 3, Electron of Portsea, HMS Collingwood 38:24:02.

Dinghy men get the wind up

The first race of the 470 class world championship was abandoned at Weymouth yesterday when a succession of depressions made racing impossible, John Nicholls writes. The 71 entries, in what is potentially the season's premier dinghy event, did attempt a start in the morning, but after they had completed two legs of their first round and seen the wind swing abruptly from one direction to another and back again, the race was stopped and they waited for the breeze to settle before trying again.

But within a short space of time, gusts of 38 knots swept through the fleet and capsized most of the dinghies. No sooner were they righted than they were knocked over *again and eventually there was no* option but to abandon the race and try again today.

IN BRIEF

Saronni's touring triumph

Udine, Italy (Reuter) – Giuseppe Saronni of Italy completed his second Tour of Italy cycling victory yesterday. The World road race champion took control on the seventh of the 22 stages. He held a two minute advantage before yesterday's 40km time trial from Gorizia to Udine which brought the 25-day event to a close and finished a comfortable third behind closest challenger Roberto Visentini.

TWENTY-FIRST STAGE (Arabba to Gorizia, 46 miles): 1, M Argentin (It), 5hr 54min 41sec; 2, F Hoste (Bel), 5:54:43; 3, F Gavazzi (It), same time.
FINAL STAGE (40km time trial): 1, R Visentini (It), 49min 43sec; 2, D Gisiger (Swi), 50:15; 3, G Saronni (It), 50:32; 4, U Freuler (Swi), 50:43; 5, M Somers (Bel), 50:48; 6, D Thurau (WG), 51:08.
OVERALL: 1, Saronni, 100:45:30; 2, Visentini, 100:48:37; 3, Fernandez, 100:47:10; 4, M Beccia (It), 100:51:25; 5, Thurau, 100:53:14; 6, M Lejarreta (Sp), 100:53:17.

● Pascal Simon from France easily won the sixth leg of the Dauphine Libere race yesterday by more than three minutes and took the overall lead from Greg Lemond of the United States.

DAUPHINE LIBERE RACE: 1, Fifth stage (Voreppe to Briancon, 225km): 1, G Lemond (US), 7hr 3min 15sec. 2, P Simon. 3, R Alban. 4, E Salomon. 5, R Millar (GB) all same time. Sixth stage: (Gap to Carpentras, 199km): 1, P Simon (Fra), 5:31:06. 2, T Claveyrolat (Fra), 5:34:12. 3, R Millar (GB), 5:34:18.

GOLF: Fred Couples moved level with fellow American Scott Simpson to lead the PGA Kember Open tournament in Maryland

● Alice Miller of the United States, seeking her first win in a five-year professional career, shot a one-over-*par 73 on Saturday* to take a one-stroke lead after the second round of the $150,000 West Virginia Classic

FOOTBALL: Aberdeeen, winners of the European Cup Winners Cup and the Scottish Cup, have signed Billy Smart of St Mirren for £70,000.

● Mark Wallington, the Leicester goalkeeper, has turned down a new contract. Wallington has been with the club for 11 years.

MOTOR CYCLING: The Dutch government banned Alan North of South Africa from competing in an international road race in Baathe yesterday.

FOR THE RECORD

BASKETBALL

NANTES: european championship: Italy 105, Spain 96; 3 and 4, USSR 105, Netherlands 70; 5 and 6, France 92, Israel 88 7 and 8; Yugoslavia 104, W Germany 88, 9 and 10; Poland 77, Czechoslovakia 73.

FOOTBALL

MEXICO CITY: World youth cup: Group A: Australia 1, Mexico 1; Scotland 2, South Korea 0; Group B: Poland 7, Ivory Coast 2; Uraguay 3, United States 2; Group C: Argentina 5, China 0; Czechoslovakia 4, Austria 0; Group D: Nigeria 1, USSR 0; Brazil 1, Netherlands 1. BUENOS AIRES: Argentine championship: Final first leg: Estindiantes de la Plata 2, Independinas 0.
HONGKONG: Bulova 0, Liverpool 2.
NAGOYA: Japan cup: Newcastle United 1, Yamaha 0; Botafogo 3, Japan National XI 1.
LOMBAMBA Swaziland: Manchester United 2, Tottenham Hotspur 1.

FOOTBALL

SHANGHAI: Tour Match: Shanghai 1, Watford 2.

MOTOCROSS

HELSINKI: 500cc World Championships: First race: 1, T Pikkarainen (Fin), Honda, 45:58.61; 2, J Sintonen (Fin), Yamaha, 45:53.97; 3, G Noyce, Honda, 45:58.41; 9, N Hudson, (GB), Yamaha, 47:26.21. Second race: 1, A Malherbe, (Bel), 46:26.91; 2, H Carlqvist, (Swe), 46:27.90; 3, H Everts (Bel), Suzuki, 47:05.07, 6, Noyce, (GB), 47:27.78; 8, D Thorpe, (GB), Honda, 47:37.13. World championships standings: 1, Malherbe 110 pts, 2, Noyce 105, 3, Carlqvist 99; 8, Thorpe 33.

ATHLETICS

HOUSTON: US University championships: 400 metres: B Cameron (US) 44.62sec.

SHOOTING

KINGSBURY: Midlands Rifle Association: Open meeting: Grand aggregate: 1, M R Pattinson, Warwickshire, 319.33; 2, T G Rylands, Cheshire, 318.30; 3, J D Warburton, Yorkshire, 317.38.

GOLF

BETHESDA, Maryland: Kemper Open: 210: F Couples, 71, 71, 68, S Simpson, 68, 68, 74; 211: Tzechung Chen (Taiwan), 69, 73, 69; 214: T Kite, 68, 70, 76; 215: N Price, 75, 70, 70; C Stadler, 72, 75, 69; A Bean, 69, 75, 72; J Mahaffey, 71, 73, 72; G Burns, 64, 77, 75; 218: F Conner (Aus), 74, 72, 72; 219: M Kuramoto (Jap), 71, 76, 72; 221, V Regalado (Mex), 74, 73, 74; A Cerda (Arg), 75, 73, 73; P Oosterhuis (Eng), 74, 71, 76; 222: D Graham (Aus), 72, 77, 73; 224: M McNulty (SA), 75, 75, 74; 228: R Shearer (Aus), 79, 70, 77; 228: B Devlin (Aus), 77, 73, 78; 232: R Cole (SA), 73, 77, 82. WHEELING, West Virginia: West Virginia LPGA Classic: 143: A Miller, 70, 73; 144: D Massey 70, 74; 145: S Bertolaccini, 73, 72; S McAllister 71, 74; A Rein, 71, 74; L Cassaday, 69, 76; 147 L Stroney, 75, 72; V Tabor, 74, 73; L Garbacz, 74, 73; A Sheard, 74, 73; B Solomon, 74, 73; H Stacy, 71, 76.

CROQUET

SOUTHWICK: MATEUS COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: Fourth round: Surrey 2, Middlesex 1, Northern 2, Berks and Oxon 1, Bedford 1, Sussex 2; Eastern 2, Midland 1. Fifth round: Bedford 3, Midland 0; Eastern 2, Sussex 1; Surrey 0, Berks and Oxon 3; Northern 3, Middlesex 0. Final positions Northern and Berks and Oxon 6 wins, equal 1, Eastern 4, 3; Surrey 4, 4; Bedford 3, 5; Midlesex 3, 6; Sussex 2, 7; Midlands 0, 8.
PARKSTONE TOURNAMENT Open singles. Play-off: Dr. W P. Ormerod beat Dr W. R. D. Wiggins + 8 on time. B level singles. Play-off for second place: Air.Cdr J. J. Greswell beat Mrs P A. Dwerryhouse + 22. C handicap singles. Play-off for second place: Miss A. M. Ryan (10) beat Mrs C W Marshall (10) +11 Unrestricted handicap singles. Final: R. F. Bailey (4) beat F. L. Shergold (8) + 8. Handicap doubles. Final: F. L. Shergold and Mrs B. R Saunders (12) beat Rev P D Hallett and H. R. Mortimer (11) + 3.
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Men. First division. Harrow Weald: 1, Old Gaytonians 126; 2, Olford 125; 3, North London 118½, 4, Hercules/Wimbledon 87½, 5, Yeovil 78. Oxford: 1, Woking 122; 2, Oxford 119; 3, Portsmouth 115; 4, Bedford 111; 5, Verlea 69. Parliament Hill: 1, Highgate 127; 2, Norfolk 108; 3 Crawley 105; 4 Croydon 104; 5 Elliott 92. Southwark Park: 1, Hounslow 132; 2, South London 117; 3, Bexley 106; 4 equal Ipswich 91, Reading 91. Hendon: 1 Haringey 148; 2 Cambridge H 143; 3 Shaftsbury 120; 4 Chelmsford 93. Second division: Exeter: 1, R. Navy (South) 137, 2, Exeter 132½, 3, London Irish 129½, 4, Medway 76; 5, Brighton 40. Peterborough: 1, Peterborough 147; 2, Cambridge and Coleridge 136; 3, Essex B. 123; 4, Belgrave 87; 5, London 2. Camborne: 1, West Cornwall 160; 2, Ealing and Southall 141, 3, Sutton and Cheam 127; 4, Queens Park 27; 5, Fareham 9.
BRATISLAVA: Women's 200 metres: 1, M Koch 22.13sec (World best).
RYE Bar G.S tournament. Semi-finals. J Kelsey-Fry (2) beat Judge Harris, Q.C. (12) 4 & 3. D Herbert (6) beat T Charlton (12) 2 & 1. Final: Kelsey-Fry beat Herbert, 2 & 1

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Friday:Seattle Mariners 5, New York Yankees 0; Chicago White Sox 2, Kansas City Royals 0, Baltimore Orioles 3, Toronto Blue Jays 2; Boston Red Sox 6, Minnesota Twins 3; California Angels 3, Milwaukee Brewers 0; Detroit Tigers 12, Texas Rangers 1. Saturday: Seattle Mariners 5, New York Yankees 4; Boston Red Sox 8, Minnesota Twins 6; California Angels 8, Milwaukee Brewers 3; Kansas City Royals 7, Chicago White Sox 1, Baltimore Orioles 6. Toronto Blue Jays 4; Oakland Athletics 6, Cleveland Indians 3; Texas Rangers 5, Detroit Tigers 2
NATIONAL LEAGUE: Friday: New York Mets 5, Los Angeles Dodgers 2; Chicago Cubs 9, Pittsburgh Pirates 3; Cincinnati Reds 3, Houston Astros 1, Atlanta Braves 5, St Louis Cardinals 3; San Diego Padres 8, Philadelphia Phillies 5; Montreal Expos 9, San Francisco Giants 5. Saturday: Los Angeles Dodgers 2, New York Mets 1, Atlanta Braves 6, St Louis Cardinals 4; Houston Astros 13, Cincinnati Reds 0; Chicago Cubs 5, Pittsburgh Pirates 2; San Francisco Giants 4, Montreal Expos 2; San Diego Padres 5, Philadelphia Phillies 4

RUGBY UNION

Feeding time is wasted by Lions

From Don Cameron, Christchurch

New Zealand 16
British Lions 12

The grizzled old lion of British rugby roared mightily, but still failed to make the decisive bite as the All-Blacks stole away the first international 16–12 on a soft and slow-paced Lancaster Park on Saturday.

This represented a marvellous transformation by the Lions. The coat of many drab colours ill-fittingly worn for the last weeks, turned into a well-knit, total effort. Sadly for them, they could not put on the cloak of glory by taking a victory which would have uplifted the Lions and very likely turned New Zealand rugby upside down.

It was a close-run thing, with the Lions 9–6 ahead at half-time, by courtesy of Ollie Campbell's boot. The All-Blacks drew level and then led 13–9 from the one try of the match. They were only 13–12 and hanging on for dear life until two minutes from the end when Hewson lobbed over a 40-metre dropped goal which gave New Zealand precious breathing space as the last seconds ticked by.

The closeness of the scores guaranteed thrills, excitement and agony for the crowd of 44,000 on a perfect winter's afternoon. But the excitement was something of an illusion for there was too many mistakes, and too many chances missed, especially by the Lions, for this to rank among the better quality internationals.

And there lay the Lions' real problem. They started well, with forwards competitive and skilled in the lineout and loose where they were supposed to be suspect. The backs moved well, with Campbell the midfield maestro. After 20 minutes of probing play by both sides, the score stood at 6–6, a penalty goal and dropped goal by Campbell and two penalty goals by Hewson.

In the next 10 minutes, the Lions reached their peak performance and had the winning of the game in their hands.

In one series of assaults, the Lions swept back and forth within the All-Black 22, four times winning rucks, yet they lacked the one steadying hand to slice through the jumbled defence. Within minutes, Graham Price, from a lineout peel, thundered on to the goalmouth and from there the Lions backs threaded to the right, needing only quick passing or someone to take the gap and the try must have come.

Instead, Ackerman, so steady of tread, tried to crash through when he should have passed, and the All-Blacks managed to stifle the move and escape with a penalty kick. At another time Campbell was poised for a dropped goal, but the All-Blacks took the ball on Fitzgerald's loose-head. Another time the ball was clear to the left, but little Baird was onm his heels and slipping over, as he took the critical pass.

The All-Blacks were shaken, hanging on by their fingernails and had the Lions taken a try and conversion they would have taken command of the match. But the Lions did not score the crucial try and all they could acquire, after 15 minutes of control, was a penalty goal to Campbell. So, the All-Blacks reached half-time still in touch at 6-9, and in the fifty-first and fifty-sixth minutes found a penalty goal from Hewson and a rather fortuitous try by Mark Shaw, the flanker.

Fate was not kind to the Lions. Poller began the break to the left by Wilson by a pass flat, but not forward. Dunn carried on the thrust, the ball went loose, shuttled this way and that, and ended in Shaw's arms. He ran to the left, found Dunn and Hewson, with Fraser taken by Ringland, fired a hopeful pass infield which deflected from Ackerman's shoulder and the ball lay there until Shaw picked up the gift and scored.

The All-Blacks, sometimes living on crumbs, at other times their defence stretched but never shattered, scrambled clear, for at the decisive moment – whether it be a running attack in midfield or developing on a thrust by Paxton and his loose forwards – the crucial Lions error inevitably came.

Not long after half-time, Andy Dalton called for his backs to move the ball wide, and was immediately rewarded with the long build-up to Shaw's try. Haden and Whetton gained some command in the lineout, but Colclough and Paxton kept the Lions at level-pegging there. Loveridge was as serviceable as ever, but Dunn, his partner, was shaky, and the All-Blacks owed much to Taylor's tackling of Irwin in midfield.

Even at the death, before Hewson's long dropped goal for a four-point lead, the Lions had their chances. Campbell dropped for goal and slipped. Campbell looped around Irwin and sped towards the goal posts, only to get off-side after a tackle. It was one of those days.

They did enough to win the game, but could not score the points when they really mattered. One wonders whether the Lions will contrive, in the next three internationals, such a winning chance as they discarded this time.

NEW ZEALAND: A Hewson; S Wilson, S Pokere, W Taylor, B Fraser; I Dunn, D Loveridge; M Mexted, M Shaw, A Haden, G Whetton, J Hobbs; G Knight, A Dalton (captain), J Ashworth.
BRITISH LIONS: H MacNeill; T Ringland, D Irwin, R Ackerman, R Baird; O Campbell, T Holmes (rep. R Laidlaw); I Paxton, J Squire, R Norster, M Colclough, P Winterbottom; G Price, C Fitzgerald (captain), I Stephens.
Referee: F Palmade (France).


Melville: answered SOS

Melville's lunch date

Nigel Melville will arrive in Greymouth, New Zealand tomorrow lunchtime as replacement for Terry Holmes, who suffered knee ligament damage in the British Lions' first international on Saturday.

While Melville begins his preparation for the Lions match against West Coast on Wednesday, Holmes, the scrum half, may need a second operation on his knee, after undergoing surgery on Saturday. Holmes was also injured exactly three years ago during the Lions tour of South Africa, which prevented him from gaining his first cap. He had to wait until Saturday's defeat at Christchurch to receive that honour.

Melville, aged 22, has played for England at schools, colts, Under 23 and B team level. His arrival in New Zealand will bring England's share of the Lions touring party to nine which is more than any of the other home countries. The Wasps scrum-half has recently returned from touring Romania with the England Under 23 squad.

RACING: CLEAR-CUT CLASSIC VICTORIES AT EPSOM AND CHANTILLY

Sun Princess a fitting tribute to Hern stable

By Michael Phillips, Racing Correspondent

Dick Hern, his staff at West Ilsley, and Willie Carson were compensated in full for the disappointment they must have felt when Gorytus did not run in the Derby when Sun Princess ran clear away with the Oaks at Epsom on Saturday.

This was a supremely professional triumph for all those involved, and no one was quicker than Carson to pay tribute to the backroom boys at West Ilsley. "They've put in a lot of hard work teaching this filly to settle, because she was so free initially that one even wondered whether she would be trainable," he said.

My earlier reference to Gorytus, and his absence from the Derby, is prompted by the knowledge that no one would have been keener than Hern to have run him had the ground been good or better still firm. When trying to weigh up the 2000 Guineas earlier in the season I discussed Gorytus with his trainer at Bath five days ago. "All I can tell you is that he is an infinitely better horse on good ground than he is on soft," were his parting words. And they still hold good.

So when he took Gorytus out of last Wednesday's Derby, Hern was putting the interests of his horse and his owners first, before the occasion. His was a professional decision and he is to be admired for it, not criticised, just as he is to be applauded for the way that he and his staff have, in Carson's own words, transformed Sun Princess from a potential runaway into a potential world beater.

Just how good, I asked Carson on Saturday, bearing in mind the fact that he had won the Oaks twice before for Hern on Dunfermline and Bireme. Pausing a while to ponder the question, Carson replied that he thought that Sun Princess could be the best of the three, because "she has much more speed than the other two, and she stays as well as they did".

Sun Princess is the first maiden to win a classic of any description since Asmena won the Oaks in 1950. Better still, by putting 12 lengths daylight between herself and her nearest pursuers in the straight – a distance matched only by Never Say Die in the 1954 St Leger in any classic this century – Sun Princess indicated that a season which started so miserably, due to the appalling weather, could come alight later on.

The great thing about the connexions of the winners of both the Derby and the Oaks this year is that they are not duckers and divers. Indeed, "Let the best horse win – to hell with commercialism" could well be their motto. Sir Michael Sobell and his son-in-law Lord Weinstock, Sun Princess's proud owners, have long been staunch supporters of European racing. As owner-breeders on a big scale with the Ballymacoll stud, they belong to the old school, the type who were once the backbone of our racing, but who are, sadly, a fast disappearing breed.

As the major shareholders in Troy who carried their colours so triumphantly five years ago, they had more to lose than anyone when their horse died in such tragic circumstances last month. Nothing can compensate them fully for Troy's premature death, but Sun Princess's victory was a nice tonic for them.

Apparently, Sun Princess has a nice two-year-old half-sister to Troy in training with Ian Balding, whose value must have increased tremendously overnight. By English Prince, a Petingo horse who won the Irish Derby, but subsequently exported too hastily from Ireland to Japan, out of a mare whose sire won the French Derby, Sun Princess boasts a pedigree which has a mile and a half written all over it.

The exciting aspect of her breeding is that he has such speed, too. It will be interesting to see whether her connexions opt for the Irish Oaks next, or whether they wait for a tilt at the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot.

Although Dahlia won the two in 1973, the odds must be against Sun Princess contesting both races as they are ony a week apart. It would not surprise me to see her go for the Irish Oaks and then be trained for the St Leger, thus following in Dunfermline's footsteps.

The speed to which Carson constantly referred to was apparent when Sun Princess passed threequarters of the field in a dramatic burst riding down Tattenham Hill on the outside. The move was prompted by some jostling at the top of the hill. "To hell with this, I'm getting out of here," Carson said to himself after Fields of Spring dropped back suddenly into the French filly Alexandrie, causing a chain reaction. Alexandrie was the chief sufferer, because she was knocked into the rails. Freddie Head, her rider, came back with paint on his boots, but most sportingly he did not complain that that was the reason for his filly's inept performance.

Seeing Head in trouble, Carson, who was just behind, immediately took evasive action, and eased to the outside. Giving Sun Princess a little rein, they passed horse after horse down Tattenham Hill, and suddenly found themselves more or less in front as they straightened for home.

From then on, it was a procession with Sun Princess dreawing further and further ahead. "She must be bloody good," a colleague remarked in the aftermath – "she *is* bloody good," Bruce Hobbs retorted as he reflected somewhat ruefully the crashing defeat that Sun Princess has just inflicted on Acclimatise, the good filly that he trains. By finishing second Acclimatise became the 11th horse that Hobbs has had placed in an English classic.

New Coins finishing third and Shore Line fourth but backers of those fancied fillies Royal Heroine and Ski Sailing had nothing to celebrate. Royal Heroine ran out of stamina halfway up the straight, while Ski Sailing totally failed to handle the gradients and bends.

Earlier in the day, Nophe had shown blinding speed on her racecourse debut to win the Acorn Stakes. She must be a live hope for the Queen Mary Stakes at Royal Ascot.

Finally, my parting comment on this the latest classic meeting at Epsom must be that the feelings is running high that Epsom, with its prize money geared to its present level, is unable to sustain interest over four days. The feeling has spread throughout the whole racing community that with the exception of the Coronation Cup, Thursday's and Friday's cards are tame beyond belief, and could be blended. In the circumstances I will not be surprised if the powers that be within United Racecourse, who controls Epsom, Sandown and Kempton, consider reducing the meeting to three days. They could hold Epsom from Wednesdy to Friday, with the Oaks on Friday, and then perhaps, stage a casual day at Kempton on the Saturday. From my soundings the move would be welcome.

3.0 (3.6) OAKS STAKES (Group I: 3-y-o fillies: £99,788: 1m 4f)
SUN PRINCESS b f by English Prince–Sunny Valley (Sir M Sobell) 9-0 ....W Carson (6-1) 1
Acclimatise b f by Shirley Heights–Habitess (J Hambro) 9-0 ....G Baxter (20-1) 2
New Coins b f by New Prospect–Estaciones (S Wong) 9-0 ....P Young (66-1) 3
Also Ran: 11-4 fav Alexandrie (11th), 7-2 Ski Sailing (5th), 11-2 Royal Heroine (7th), 11 Cormorant Wood (6th), 1 Shore Line (4th), 25 Current Raiser (9th), 50 Fields of Spring (13th), Ghaiya (10t), Mytinia (12th), 100 Sul-El-Ah (8th), 500 Acoras Prediction (14th), Hagen's Holly (15th). 15 ran.
TOTE: Win: £5.20. Places: £1.60, £3.10, £6.20. Dual Forecast: £62.10. CSF: £95.61. W Hern at West Ilsley. 12l, 2½, l, 2m, 40.98 secs.


Willie Carson looks round for non-existent dangers to Sun Princess in the Oaks.

Caerleon comfortably holds L'Emigrant

By Desmond Stoneham, French Racing Correspondent Paris

History nearly repeated itself at Chantilly yesterday when Pat Eddery brought Caerleon to a fine victory in the Prix du Jockey Club (French Derby). Just a year ago Assert won the French classic for David O'Brien by three lengths and yesterday Caerleon won by exactly the same distance for Vincent O'Brien. Once again it was the famour colours of Robert Sangster first past the post in the Jockey Club where the runner-up was L'Emigrant and the third, Esprit du Nord, was ridden by Lester Piggott.

As Stavros Niarchos had shares in both the winner and runner-up, the two horses were coupled in the betting and Caerleon's win divided on the Pari-mutuel was 2.40 francs by the horses in fact started at 28-1, which was reflected in the place dividends which paid odds of just 4-1.

Vincent O'Brien was unable to be at Chantilly because of the Irish air traffic control strike which was only called off at the last moment so he was represented by Tommy Burns. The plan now for Caerleon is not exactly finalized by either he or Solford could line up for the Irish Sweep Derby on June 25 and O'Brien also has his eyes on both the Coral Eclipse Stakes and King IV and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes.

Pat Eddery rode to absolute perfection and Caerleon was never further back than third position. Most of the pace was cut out by Pietru while Dom Pasquini was always well up with the pace just in front of Caerleon. With some two furlongs left to run, Eddery had an immediate reaction from Caerleon who lengthened his stride impressively and bult up a convincing lead as L'Emigrant was produced up the middle of the course by Cash Asmussen.

A reminder or two from Eddery was all Caerleon needed to accelerate away from his rivals as L'Emigrant ran out of steam in the final furlong.

Eddery said after this mouting: "I have ridden some great horse and this must be one of them. We have always considered him a classic animal but only now has he found the good ground he needs."

Lester Piggott had every chance on Esprit du Nord who now goes for either the Irish Sweeps Derby or the Grand Prix de Paris. Henri Samani reported that Jeu de Paille, who was fourth past the post, just hated today's firm ground and the same explanation was offered for Dom Pasquini. Jasper ran an excellent race for Willie Carson to finish sixth and he comes back to Paris for the Grand Prix de Paris.

PRIX DU JOCKEY-CLUB (Group I) (3-y-o: £100,640: 1m 4f)
CAERLEON B C by Nijinsky–Foreseer (R Sangster) 9-2 ....Pat Eddery 1
L'Emigrant ....C Asmussen 2
Esprit Du Nord ....L Piggott 3
PARI–MUTUEL: Win: 2.40. (combined with L'Emigrant and Pietru): Places: 5.10, 1.70, 3.30. DF: 50.60.
V O'Brien in Ireland. 3l, ½l. Jeu De Paille 4th. 12 ran. 2m 27.3 sec.

PRIX DE ROYAUMONT (Group III: (3-y-o: fillies: £14,639: 1m 2f)
MARIE DE LITZ Ch Fby Dictus - Mohair– (Mme J Sabban) 8-9 ....H Samani 1
Brillante ....F Head 2
Allicance ....C Asmussen 3
PARI–MUTUEL win 32.90. Places: 4.40, 1.60, 1.70. DF: 54.20.
D Smaga sh-nk, ½l. Fly Me 4th. 11 ran. 2m 08sec.

PRIX JEAN PRAT (Group II (3-y-o: £22,873: 1m 10f)
GINGER BRINK Ch C by Brinkmanship–La Roussiere (Albert Yank) 9-2 ....Y Saint-Martin 1
Welsh Idol ....A Lequeux 2
Alluvia ....H Samani 3
PARI–MUTUEL: Win: 6.80. Places: 2.30, 5.00, 3.20. DF: 51.10.
R Collet ½l, sh. hd. Bal Des Fees 4th, 10 ran. 1m 50.9sec.

PRIX DU GROS CHENE (Group 3) £14,639: 5f
GEM DIAMOND b c Riva Ridge – Bold Place (Mme P Poinsot) 5-9-9 ....A Badel 1
Massorah ....3-8-5 F Head 2
Kind Music ....4-9-8 Y Saint-Martin 3
PARI MUTUEL: 21.60. Places: 3.60, 3.10, 1.20. Dual forecast: 246.10. C de Meda. 2l, 1½l. Sky Lawyer 4th. 11ran. 57.6s.

McHargue makes ground

By Our Irish Racing Correspondent

The American jockey Darryl McHargue, the subject of a good deal of criticism from Irish racegoers since his arrival in this country, showed himself in a more flattering light at the Phoenix Park on Saturday when he got Iron Leader up close home to win the £20,000 added Kilfrush/What A Guest Stakes over a mile.

Pat Eddery's mount Beaudelaire, unbeaten in his two previous starts, was the odds-on favourite to make a winning commencement to his three-year-old career in this contest. For a long way he looked certain to justify his market position but in heavy ground the lack of a previous run took its toll and he was worn down by the persistence of the winner, whose biggest previous victory had been achieved in the Madrid Handicap at The Curragh.

Dermot Weld nominated the winner as a Royal Ascot runner where he will contest the Queen Anne Stakes. Vincent O'Brien, who does not expect to have more than three runners at the royal meeting, said Beaudelaire was unlikely to be among them.

Lester Piggott, who was so impressed by the performance of Hegemony at The Curragh that he immediately booked himself to partner the colt in the Coventry Stakes, will be encouraged by a further win for Hegemony in the Steve D. Peskopp Stakes.

Eddery was on board this time and had Hegemony very quickly away and he made virtually all the running. After he had shaken off Fredenphil, Eddery eased him up and a late flourish from Sand Castle (received 7lb) got him within a half a length at the post. Eddery said afterwards that the best of the Irish two-year-olds were as good as anything he had observed in England so far this season.

CYCLING

Eaton puts American pedal in circulation

By John Wilcockson

By winning the 26th Milk Race, which finished in Blackpool on Saturday, Matt Eaton confirmed the growing structure of American cycling in the world arena. On the final stage of 65 miles across the Pennines, the six members of the United States team rode themselves to a standstill in defence of the yellow jersey that Eaton slipped on for the first time before the start in Bradford.

One of the danger points for Eaton was the zig-zag climb of Blackshaw Head, at Hebden Bridge. Here, the crowd – one of the largest to watch the race for many years – saw Eaton pedal up the one in four hill with great assurance, always among the first 12 riders. His colleagues , Andrew Hampsten, matched the pace of Palov from Czechoslovakia to take the special prize at the summit. Also in front were. the race's leading climber, Ludek Styds of Czechoslovakia, Tony Doyle, the British professional, and Jeff Williams, the British amateur champion.

The five leaders' diverse team interests meant that the whole field regrouped by Burnley, and remained together until the dying miles of the stage. Several lone attacks were made, with the final one, less than a mile from home, giving Per Sandahl of Denmark his second stage win of the race.

Malcolm Elliott, the winner of a record number of six stages, was again faster than the rest to take second place. His third place overall was the best by a British amateur for five years. With better guidance and motivation, Elliott could win a future Milk Race. This year, the Sheffield rider was not quick, or assertive enough to join any of the winning breaks, unlike the two men who finished above him, Eaton, aged 22, and the Swede Stefan Brykt, aged 18.

Eaton admitted that he was a lucky winner, but he deserves credit for infiltrating the winning moves on the first, third and fifth stages to Bristol, Welwyn Garden City and Leicester, respectively. He learnt his racing in the United States, although he was born at Ilford and held a British passport until three years ago.

FINAL STAGE: (Bradford to Blackpool, 65 miles): 1, P Sandahl (Den), 2hrs 42 min 10sec; 2, M Elliott (GB Amateurs); 3, P Ruckstuhl (Swi); 4, P Serra (Swe); 5, W Wuetler (WG); 6, V Hruza (Cz); 7, Z Szczepkowski (Pol); 8, B Jousselin (Fr); 9, V Schaerling (Den); 10, D Zakrzewski (Pol); all same time. Other British placings: 15, A Doyle (Professionals) 2.42.10; 18, S Yates (Professionals); 19, S Barnes (Professionals); 24, P Bayton (Professionals); 25, N Martin (Amateurs); 31, P Bateman (Amateurs); 35, R Downs (Amateurs); 38, K Lambert (Professionals); 48, S Jones, (Professionals); 55, J Williams (Amateurs), all same time.
TEAM: 1, Denmark 8hr 8min 30sec; 2, Poland; 3, West Germany; 4, Sweden; 5, Switzerland; 6, GB Professionals; 7, France; 8, GB Amateurs; 9, Czechoslovakia, 10, United States; 11, Ireland. All same time.

OVERALL: 1, M Eaton (USA) 42hr 22min 23sec; 2, S Brykt (Swe) 42:22:39; 3, M Elliott (GB Amateurs) 42:23:28; 4, U Rottler (WG) 42:23:34; 5, S Yates (GB Professionals) 42:23:34; 6, M Klasa (Cz) 42:23:47; 7, K Blum (Swi) 42:24:00; 8, P Locali (Swi) 42:24:04; 9, V Hruza (Cz) 42:24:14; 10, N Martin (GB Amateurs); 11, K Palov (Cz) 42:25:04; 12, Doyle 42:25:12; 13, P Becker (WG) 42:25:23; 14, Z Szczepkowski (Pol) 42:25:46; 15, K Nilsson (Swe) 42:25:49. Other British placings: 17, Williams 42:28:37; 29, Barnes 42:30:16; 35, Lambert 42:38:31; 42, Bayton 43:52:27; 49, Downs 43:03:04; 59, Bateman 43:3:26; 61, Jones 43:57:24.
OVERALL TEAM: 1, Czechoslovakia 126hr 50min 38sec; 2, United States 126:54:38; 3, W Germany 126:55:51; 4, GB Professionals 126:56:38; 5, Switzerland 127:0:34; 6, GB Amateurs 127:0:44; 7 Sweden 127:0:54; 8, Poland 127:5:26; 9, France 127:20:57; 10, Denmark 127:41:46; 11, Ireland 128:18:53.

IN BRIEF

Zico in the balance

Brazilian football champions Flamengo expect to decide today whether to accept a $4 million offer for their World Cup star, Zico, from Italian club Udinese, Reuter reports. Supporters besieged Flamengo's ground in Rio de Janeiro to protest against the proposed deal, and Flamengo directors have received threats.

Zico would prefer to stay with Flamengo if they could come near to Udinese's offer, while reports suggest that a multi-national company could put up money for him to stay. Zico views Udinese's offer as a chance to make himself financially secure. He said, "If I stopped playing football, I couldn't diip up my standard of living."

BASKETBALL: Italy won the European men's title for the first time on Saturday with a 105-96 victory in the final over Spain in Nantes. The Italians were led by the 20-point performance of Renato Villalta, Spain who eliminated the favoured Soviet Union 95-94 in their semi-final, did not show the same form this time.

Enrico Gilardi and Romeo Sacchetti, with 16 and 15 points respectively, were the other outstanding Italian players.

Lingfield Park

Tote: double 3.0, 4.0. Treble: 2.30, 3.30, 4.30.
Draw advantage: high numbers best.

2.0 'D' DAY STAKES (Div I: 3-y-o maidens: £1,713: 1m 4f) (12 runners)

104		BAY CITY ROLLER (R McCaughey) R Simpson 9-0	B Jago	12
109	0	GOLD HUNTER (A Holand) J Sutcliffe 9-0	J Matthias	3
110	0000-00	GO TO SLEEP (Miss P Allison) A Jarvis 9-0	J Murray	2
112	0	IMPERIAL CHAMPAGNE (B) (C raymond) W G M Turner 9-0	–	8
116	00-00	LOOKALIKE (Mrs P Isaacs) P Haynes 9-0	B Rouse	7
118	004-000	MAURMAX (C Fitch) Pat Mitchell 9-0	S Keightley 7	4
119	00-0224	MEAUME (D Ancil) D Ancil 9-0	P Cook	11
123		SAVONITA (R Reeves) G Harwood 9-0	G Starkey	9
129	0002	WINTER SPORT (M Myers) M Usher 9-0	–	1
131	0-00	BOLD QUEEN (B) (Esal Commodities) M Hanes 8-11	P Waldron	10
132	00	LINE OF REASN (R Fox) B Swift 8-11	J Mercer	6
134	0-	NERAIDA (B) (G nicolaou) I Walker 8-11	P Colquhoun	5

7-4 Savonita, 5-2 Meaume, 6 Winter Sport, 15-2 Gold Hunter, 10 Go To Sleep, 14 Bold Queen, 16 others.

2.30 UTAH STAKES (Div II: selling: £1,492: 1m 2f) (12)

201	2030-00	DUKE OF DOLLIS (D Winfield) D Elsworth 4-9-5	B Rouse	6
205	/10000-	SOMERFOLDS (Mrs R Smith) H O'Neill 4-9-2	–	3
206	00-00	CHEUNG SING (E Wat) Pat Mitchell 4-9-0	S Keightley 7	1
207	0-00003	MISSISSIPI BLUES (K Ivory) K Ivory 4-9-0	P Young	12
208	/0804-0	NATIVE SON (B) (A Richards) D Hanley 4-9-0	B Taylor	10
210	4000-00	ON THE SPOT (Mrs C Maloney) C Britten 4-9-0	A Barclay	2
216	00-	BIG SPIEL (B Wheatley) M Pipe 3-8-4	M Hills 5	9
220	000040-	GOLD HEART (C Cory) R Voorspuy 3-8-4	R Still	8
221		GORDONUS (R Cheetham) P Mitchell 3-8-4	B Crossley	5
223	0300-0	SON OF MANADO (B) (A Moore) A Jarvis 3-8-4	J Murray	4
226	000-00	FLYING EASY (D Hodges) R Hannon 3-8-1	P Cook	7
230	0000-00	PROMISE OF SPRNG (Miss C Leigh) P Burgoyne 3-8-1	J Mclean 7	11

13-8 Duke Of Dollis, 7-2 Son Of Manado, 5 On The Spot, 8 Native Son, Mississipi Blues, 12 others.

3.0 GOLD STAKES (2-y-o: £2,796: 5f) (6)

303	1	REDHOUSE CHARM (D) (Roy Bishop & Son) R Smyth 9-4	G Starkey	5
306	4	EXPRESS DELIVERY (B Schmidt-Bodner) E Eldin 8-11	B Raymond	4
307		MARK KELLY (Esal Commodities) F Mitchell 8-11	P Waldron	2
309	042	PEANDAY (A Wade) R Hoad 8-11	R Fox	6
310	23	SON OF KANDY (A. J. Bingley) D Elsworth 8-11	B Rouse	3
313	44	YOUNG PRETENDER (A Richards) D Hanley 8-11	B Taylor	1

11-8 Son Of Kandy, 5-2 Redhouse Charm, 9 Express Delivery, 8 Young Pretender, 12 Peanday, 16 Mark Kelly.

3.30 JUNO STAKES (3-y-o: £2,700: 6f) (2)

402	3030-41	ANOTHER RISK (D) (A Wright) P Mitchell 9-12	G Starkey	2
406	111-313	PRINCE SPY (D) (S Powell) J Sutcliffe 9-12	W Carson	1

4-7 Prince Spy, 11-8 Another Risk.

4.0 SWORD HANDICAP (£1,990: 2m) (15)

502	000-000	BARON BLAKENEY (B Wheatley) M Pipe 6-9-9	–	7
503	1400-04	LUCKY IVOR (O Phipps) J Dunlop 4-9-7	W Carson	4
505	20000-2	DANCING SOVEREIGN (Mrs P Dorse) Mrs N Smith 4-9-7	B Rouse	15
509	/3302-4	CHAMPAGNE CHARLIE (D) (H Thomson) N Gaselee 6-8-11	J Mercer	10
511	2300-03	NATION WIDE (G Wragg) G Wragg 10-8-10	B Crossley	3
512	10000-0	RETSEL (G Ellis) S Woodman 4-8-10	T Ives	8
515	00023-0	MARLEYCOMBE HILL (Mrs R Kennard) W Wightman 4-8-7	G Baxter	1
516	40000/	ALMIGHTY ZEUS (D Hodges) D Gandolfo 6-8-6	P Cook	5
517	403200-	RAMPANT (Mrs W Fine) W Musson 4-8-6	–	12
519	20340-3	NORTH WEST (F Hill) M Masson 8-8-6	A Bond	2
523	00/000	PIANOSO (Mrs E Richards) H O'Neill 6-7-10	–	13
526	03000/3	BALLACOREY (T Marshall) M Usher 7-7-8	D McKay	11
527	02240/0	THE AZADSTAN (A Goodfellow) I Dudgeon 5-7-7	A McGlone 5	6
529	020000/	CHAMPERS CLUB (A Bollard) D Weeden 6-7-7	J H Brown 5	9
530	0004/	FOXLEY MEL (P Harris) H Beasley 7-7-7	R Fox	14

9-4 Nation Wide, 100-30 Dancing Sovereign, 5 Lucky Ivor, 13-2 North West, 8 Champagne Charlie, 12 Baron Blakeney, 16 others.

4.30 OMAHA STAKES (3-y-o maidens: £3,615: 7f 140yd) (26)

601	000-00	AVISFORD (Mrs L Davies) J Dunlop 9-0	B Taylor	17
604	0000-0	DANCERS' EMULATION (J Horrocks) M masson 9-0	A Bond	5
605	0-	DR BRODIE (C Sparrowhawk) A Jarvis 9-0	P Waldron	12
607	0-0	ENGLISH MASTER (A Smith) J Sutcliffe 9-0	J Matthias	8
608	00	EROSTIN STAR (J Upson) A Jarvis 9-0	J Murray	20
611	00	L'ARISTOCRAT (S Powell) J Sutcliffe 9-0	–	18
612	04	LINDA VISTA (J Mullion) R Baker 9-0	P Cook	21
614		MASTER CARVER (A Bodie) G Harwood 9-0	G Starkey	10
616		ON THE FOAN (Faiz Al-Mutawa) F Durr 9-0	–	15
617	3-0	PIP (Maj-Gen J d'Avigdor-Goldsmid) J Dunlop 9-0	B Raymond	14
618	40-0	RULA HULER (Studcrown) L Cumani 9-0	W Carson	22
619	0-0	SAUNSON BOY (B) (H Saunders) I Walker 9-0	P Colquhoun	24
620	0-0	SERENDIPITY (K Abdulla) R Smyth 9-0	R Fox	6
622	00	SPINNAKER RUN (Mrs E Kessly) P Haynes 9-0	B Rouse	19
623	0-	TENDER PET (W Joyce) N Vigors 9-0	–	4
624	03-42	THE HOUSE BUILDER (Beldale Bloodstock) M Jarvis 9-0	J Mercer	13
626	3-	TOUR DE FORCE (Mrs D Strausse) P Makin 9-0	G Baxter	2
627	0-343	VITTEL (I Thoday) J Winter 9-0	–	16
628	00-4040	WAR WAR (Elisha Holding) A Ingham 9-0		1
631	00	BARBARA ANN (K Mackenzie) A Turnell 8-11	T Ives	3
633	0-0	FERRY LANE (E Rawlinson) P Mitchell 8-11	B Crossley	23
635	0	GREAT DANCER (Ld Matthews) C Brittain 8-11	A Barclay	7
639	000-	NAKTERJAL (M Berger) J Dunlop 8-11	N Dawe 5	11
640	4440-04	SAX (M Bryant) S Woodman 8-11	M Hills 5	9
642		SURE FIT (Mrs J Thompson) W Wightman 8-11	D McKay	25
643	0300-00	WILL BE WANTON (Davies Leisure) Pat Mitchell 8-11	–	26

11-4 Rula Huler, 7-2 Vittel, 5 The House Builder, 13-2 Pip, 8 Master Carver, Tour De Force, 10 Sax, 14 Avisford, Nakterjal, 20 others.

5.0 'D' DAY STAKES (Div II: 3-y-o maidens: £1,358: 1m 4f) (11)

1	0-0	AMIGO ALEGRE (J Da Cruz) Pat Mitchell 9-0	–	3
11	44000-0	HAVE BLESSED (Mrs C Pateras) C Britain 9-0	A Barclay	5
13	0	JOY RIDE (Mrs J Bricken) B Hobbs 9-0	G Baxter	8
15	000	LITTLE BOY (Mrs S Marks) P Burgoyne 9-0	B Proctor	4
17	03-3	MAJORS CAST (Sir E Beck) G Wragg 9-0	B Crossley	9
21	03-	MISTER PRELUDE (Motorcircle Garages 'Stoke' Ltd) M Jarvis 9-0	B Raymond	11
24	00-000	SHARAZOUR (H. H. Aga Khan) R Houghton 9-0	R Fox	2
25		SLEEPLINE SANDMAN (Sleepline Holdings S Matthews 9-0	T Ives	8
28	3-0	WILTSHIRE YEOMAN (P Hayward) D Elsworth 9-0	B Rouse	7
30	0	ALLEGORY (W Campbell) J Dunlop 8-11	W Carson	1
35		PICATAC (Mrs P Hale) M Bolton 8-11	A Bond	10

5-4 Majors Cast, 4 Joy Ride, 11-2 Wiltshire Yeoman, 13-2 Mister Prelude, 10 Allegory, 16 others.

5.30 UTAH STAKES (Div II: selling: £1,263: 1m 2f) (12)

2	10-2000	KNIGHTSBRIDGE GAME (D) (D Wilson) D Wilson 4-9-5	P Cook	10
3	10-0000	ARMALOU (CD) (T Rowley) D Sasse 4-9-2	D McKay	8
4	400-010	KRISTEN (D) (S Brown) R Hoad 4-9-2	W Ryan 7	3
11	0-0	FOXY QUEEN (A Foran) G Blum 4-8-11	–	6
12	000/0-0	SHARP MELODY (B Weston) H Beasley 4-8-11	R Fox	12
13	4/0200-	SHOOTNG HIGH (Mrs V Ward) W Musson 4-8-11	T Ives	11
14	0212-04	PLEDGDON GREEN (D) (A Smith) N Callaghan 3-8-9	–	4
15	003-200	BERGEARC (T Burrage) J Holt 3-8-4	P Waldron	7
18	00-0	BRENDAN'S CHOICE (J. R. Riney) A Davison 3-8-4	–	5
22	000-000	KALISTA ANTARTIS (Miss Apostlides) Pat Mitchell 3-8-4	–	1
28	000-003	MORE WIT (G Brunton) P M Taylor 3-8-1	–	2
29	4000-00	PEKING DANCER (B Tang) Pat Mitchell 3-8-1	–	9

4-6 Pledgon Green, 9-2 Shooting High, 6 Bergerac, 10 Armalou, 12 Kristen, 16 Knightsbridge Game, 20 others.

Lingfield selections

By Our Racing Staff
2.0 Winter Sport. 2.30 Duke of Dollis. 3.0 Express Delivery. 3.30 Prince Spy. 4.0 Dancing Sovereign. 4.30 Tour de Force.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.0 Neraida. 2.30 On The Spot. 3.0 Express Delivery. 4.0 Nation Wide. 4.30 Rula Huler. 5.0 Majors Cast. 5.30 Pledgdon Green.

Leicester selections

By Our Racing Staff
2.15 Native Ring. 2.45 Monclare Trophy. 3.15 Two High. 3.45 Little Change. 4.15 Laurette. 4.45 Mandown Lad.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.15 Tudor Enterprise. 2.45 Irene's Pride. 3.15 Claudius Crozet. 3.45 Cheveley Star. 4.15 Sable Royle. 4.45 Spring Pastures.

Leicester

DRAW: No advantage

2.15 WOLVEY STAKES (2-y-o maidens: £1,283: 5f) (14 runners)

2		BRIDGTOWN CASTLE (M Bray-Cotton) W Clay 9-0	M Rimmer 3	9
3	300	BURBRIDGE KING ST (Burbridge Sports) N Tinkler 9-0	P Robinson	6
4		BURNT ASH (J Orbell) W Holden 9-0	M Thomas	1
5		CAMDEN LAD (K Fischer) R Hollinshead 9-0	S Perks	3
9		HATCHING (Mrs C Dickson) R Houghton 9-0	W R Swinburn	2
10	00	HYPERION PRINCE (B) (B Peacock) W Wharton 9-0	R Wigham	5
11	02	LEYDENE LAD (Cmdr D Howard) Mrs R Lomax 9-0	A Murray	14
13		MENTEL OAK (R Tikkoo) G Hunter 9-0	B Clements	11
15	0222	NATIVE RING (Maj A Everett) I Balding 9-0	S Cauthen	12
19	0	RAFFLES TOWER (Mrs P Yong) W O'Gorman 9-0	D McKeown 3	10
20		ROYBEN BOY (B) (W Clay) W Clay 9-0	J Seagrave	13
22		SPARTAN BAZAAR (B Bell) S Matthews 9-0	J Johnson	7
23		SQUIRES GOLD (Mrs M Clayton) P Felgate 9-0	–	4
26	32	TUDOR ENTERPRISE (B) (Humberside Enterprises G Huffer 9-0	M Miller	8

6-4 Native Ring, 3 Hatching, Camden Lad, 5 Leydene Lad, 8 Tudor Enterprise.

2.45 HICKLING HANDICAP (Selling: £839: 7f) (18)

1	0002-00	TENDER VENTURE (B) (D) (D Lark) G Hunter 4-9-12	J Lowe	3
3	102102	MONCLARE TROPHY (C) (Monclare Products) A Pitt 4-9-8	E Hide	2
4	0000-33	SHAMROCK NAIL (Frederick Cooper) D Nicholson 4-8-6	I Johnson	4
7	03-0002	JOLLY BURGLAR (B) (CD) (F Carr) E Carter 4-9-4	J Carr 7	1
8	0000-33	KLAIROVE (K Lowe) B McMahon 4-9-2	S Perks	6
10	030030/	LEISURE GIRL (A House) P Cundell 4-8-13	G Duffield	9
11	/00-044	ARDENT WARRIOR (B) (Mrs I Anderton) A W Jones 4-8-11	S Webster	10
14	0000-	HEND (D Thom) D Thom 3-8-11	P Robinson	14
15	000-000	BAYFORD (H Chisman) Mrs B Waring 4-8-11	DOUBTFUL	15
17	/003-00	THE BYSTANDER (Mrs D Sharp) J Holt 4-8-9	S Cauthen	18
19	4003-00	WORLINGWORTH WALTZ (A Bateson) D Jermy 4-8-9	R McGhinn	11
20	0000-40	DEBACH RIVER (M Chapman) M Chapman 4-8-8	D Dinley	13
22	0000-0	SINGING SOPRANO (P Bailey) P Bailey 3-8-8	–	8
23	00/100-	ARRAS GIRL (D) (R Stephenson) A Smith 4-8-8	M Birch	15
24	00-0300	IRENE'S PRIDE (B Stockill) A Bailey 3-8-7	P Bloomfield 5	17
29	00000-0	MISS MATILDA (V Wilson) W Clay 3-8-4	J Seagrave	12
33	0000	DELLWOOD JET (F Dellafera) W Holden 3-7-13	M Thomas	16
34	000000-	BOYD'S PRIDE (H Ford) W Wharton 3-7-10	N Carlisle 3	7

2 Monclare Trophy, 3 Shamrock Nail, 4 Klairove, 11-2 Jolly Burglar, 12 others.

3.15 SILVER PHEASANT HANDICAP (£2,225: 1m 4f) (9)

2	122-201	TWO HIGH (C Nicholson) R Houghton 4-9-11 (4 ex)	J Reid	2
3	201-203	CLAUDIUS CROZET (B) (CD) (G Huffer) G Huffer 4-9-4	P Bloomfield 5	9
4	002400	STEEL VENTURE (A Maycock) M Ryan 4-9-1	S Cauthen	5
5	20/031-	TWO MINUTES (D) (C Pick) G Pritchard-Gordon 4-8-8	G Duffield	4
6	220-000	CHANNING GIRL (D) (M Hassan) C Brittain 4-8-7	P Robinson	8
8	042330-	TAI FU KWAI (N Howley) C Williams 4-8-4	E Johnson	3
11	200-300	ARDOONY (N Conop) R Hollinshead 5-7-11	N Carlisle 3	6
12	003/130	MAWAL (D) (W White) W Guest 6-7-11	G Dickie 7	1
13	d43/104	PALMERO (Mrs K Howells) K Stone 6-7-10	J Lowe	7

13-8 Two High, 4 Claudius Crozet, 5 Steel Venture, 8 Ardoony, 10 Two Minutes, 14 Palmero, 20 others.

3.45 RAGDALE HANDICAP (£1,625: 1m 2f) (10)

3	0-02000	SCARLET TOWN (C) (S Reakes) R Hollinshead 5-9-7	S Perks	3
10	00-0040	CHEVELEY STAR (D Moore) M Ryan 4-9-3	P Robinson	7
12	00002-0	BLUE CLOUD (G Brunton) Mrs R Lomax 4-9-1	A Murray	5
16	4300-04	LITTLE CHANGE (Mrs E Holland-Martin) R Houghton 3-8-8	R Curant	2
20	00000-0	QUALITAIR PRINCE (Qualitair Engineering) M Ryan 4-8-5	J Lowe	9
24	000/0-0	SHUTTLE D'OR (E Eccleston) M Chapman 5-8-3	–	8
25	0000-40	UNIT TENT (CD) (Atlas Display) G Lewis 5-8-1	G Sexton	4
26	2234-00	MINUS MAN (W Holden) W Holden 5-8-1	–	10
27	00000/0	PRETTY TOUGH (Mrs T Winterton) W Clay 5-7-13	A Proud	1
28	03004-0	BELLE VUE (R Hollinshead) R Hollinshead 10-7-12	T Davies 7	6

5-2 Scarlet Town, 100-30 Little Change, 5 Minus Man, 7 Cheveley Star, 10 Unit tent, 14 others.

4.15 OLD DALBY STAKES (3-y-o fillies: £1,035: 7f) (16)

4	00	ARRAS LASS (R Stephenson) A Smith 8-7	M Birch	12
5		BARRIE BABY (B Stacey) C Booth 8-7	G Oldroyd	5
6		BEV'S GIRL (E Clarke) M James 8-7	–	8
7	024-0	BLUEBUTTON (Mrs M Musters) N Gaselee 8-7	–	6
12	0-42	IRISH CLIPPER (P Pegg) P Cole 8-7	A Murray	9
14	0	LAURETTE (S Vanian) G Huffer 8-7	J Reid	7
16	0-	LUCKY APPEAL (R Khan) C Brittain 8-7	M Miller	15
18		MARCH AT DAWN (R Shaw) B McMahon 8-7	P Robinson	13
20	00-	MUCK ABOUT (M Stewart) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-7	D Dineley	6
23	00-0300	PADDYS BELLE (Mrs P Tucker) D Tucker 8-7	–	3
24	043300	PEMELIA (R Hambro) D Laing 8-7	A Dicks 7	2
25	000	RELY ON GUY (I BOTHAM) R Hollinshead 8-7	W Newnes	4
26	0	RUSH FOR HOME (A Amersey) B Hobbs 8-7	S Perks	1
27	40-3u0	SABLE ROYALE (J Zwirn) N Callaghan 8-7	P Hamblett	18
29	0-0	SWEET MILLION (J Smith) R Sheather 8-7	–	10
31	0-	TINTED BLONDE (K Radeuil) D Ringer 8-7	R Cochrane	14

6-4 Irish Clipper, 3 Laurette, 8 Rush For Home, 8 Bluebutton, 12 others.

4.45 SWANNINGTON STAKES (2-y-o: £1,035: 6f) (17)

2	12	MANDOWN LAD (P Bourke) K Brassey 9-2	E Johnson	15
4	01	SPRING PASTURES (C) (Sheikh Ali Abu Khamsin) J Winter 9-2	A Murray	12
5	123	TACHEO (C Tatoson) W Wharton 8-13	G Duffield	9
8	0	INFINITY RULES (Metal-Woods Ltd) S Mellor 8-11	M Wigham	5
12	00	MAY BE THIS TIME (B) (Mrs. P Dorsey) B Hobbs 8-11	E Hide	13
15	0	PETER MARTIN (M Hurley) P Kelleway 8-11	–	11
21	0	STRAW (Mrs J Yarnold) C Nelson 8-11	S Cauthen	16
23	20	TUSITALA (Esal Commodities) G Lewis 8-11	G Sexton	10
25		BOLDNINE (R Wright) C Brittain 8-8	P Bradwell 5	14
29		MONKEY TRICKS (H Oppenheimer) H Candy 8-8	W Newnes	7
30		MR TEASIE WEASIE (Mrs R Raymond) N Tinkler 8-6	J Lowe	17
32		STORMY MONARCH (Mrs C Pateras) C Brittain 8-6	P Robinson	8
33		VILLAGE POSTMAN (G Bates) W Guest 8-6	A Kimberley	1
34		WINDY WEATHER (B Farr) J FitzGerald 8-6	J Seagrave	2
35		BARN ROD (W Whiston) W Whiston 8-3	S Perks	3
36		BRENTHURST (R Hambro) D Laing 8-3	W Higgins	4
37		MOODY GIRL (D Gunn) R Hollinshead 8-3	Paul Eddery 3	6

2 Mandown Lad, 4 Tacheo, 5 Tusitala, 10 May Be This Time, Spring Pastures, 14 Straw, 20 others.

Weekend results

Epsom

1.45 1, Nophe (5-2); 2, My Louie (9-1); 3, Tennis Penny (10-11 fav). 7 ran. NR Classical Vintage, Lily Bank.
2.15 1, Sedra (8-1); 2, Be My Darling (20-1); 3, High Calory (11-4 fav). 11 ran. NR Hot Betty.
3.0 See above.
3.35 1, Uplands Park (10-1); 2, Mailman (11-2); 3, The Ripleyite (8-1). 10 ran. Cornish Gem (4-1 fav).
4.45 1, One Degree (25-1); 2, Plancourt (8-1); 3, Charles Street (14-1). 15 ran. Ferryman (5-1 fav). NR lamore.
4.40 1, Princess Zita (13-8 fav); 2, Alawik (7-4); 3, Zaheer (13-2). 8 ran.

Catterick Bridge

2.30 1, Knights Secret (16-1); 2, Baffle Bay (100-30); 3, Manx God (7-2). Shades Of Blue (9-4 fav). 7 ran.
3.15 1, Royal Expert (11-1); 2, Rhodonna (9-4 fav); 3, Bit Of A State (4-1). 8 ran.
3.45 1, Tentwort (2-1 fav); 2, Hydrangea (25-1); 3, Broken Seal (7-1). 15 ran.
4.15 1, Screes (10-1); 2, Blackpool Belle (5-1); 3, Prince Of Fashion (5-4 fav). 8 ran.
4.45 1, Dunham Park (12-1); 2, Brockley Belle (12-1); 3, Battalion (12-1); 4, Trade High (12-1). Solway Winds (4-1 fav). 16 ran. nr. Miss Prudent.
5.15 1, Opale (50-1); 2, Nabiha (4-1 jt fav); 3, Gloria Mundi (4-1 jt fav). Indian Moonshine (4-1 jt fav). 16 ran. nr. Dingle Belle.

Market Rasen

5.30 1, Loch Ryan House (7-1); 2, Malicious Red (5-4 fav); 3, The Aspel (14-1). 10 ran. Nr. Steer Point, Hanover Prince.
6.0 1, Saucy Sargent (6-1); 2, Baz Bombati (2-5 fav); 3, Kyoto (20-1). 17 ran. Nr. Lord And Master.
6.30 1, Marjoram (2-1); 2, The Knife (10-1); 3, Airglee (7-4 fav). 8 ran.
7.0 1, Unscrupulous Judge (13-2); 2, Rosan-Past (11-1); 3, Stand Back (20-1); 4, Fenaghy (20-1). 17 ran. Arctic Menalek (9-2 fav). Nr. Gold Shoveler.
7.30 1, Pralko (11-2); 2, Derry Island (14-1); 3, Dusty Farlow (14-1). Covent Garden (9-4 fav). 23 ran. Nr. Minsss Lodge, Chef Marcel, Light Infantry.
8.0 1, Abbey Brig (3-1 fav); 2, Good Crack (8-1); 3, Don Sabreur (9-2); 4, Father Delaney (6-1). 19 ran.
8.30 1, Star Alliance (11-4 fav); 2, Albion Prince (11-2); 3, Misty Bay (12-1). 10 ran. Nr. Sergeant Jim, Grey At Last.

Stratford

2.45: 1, Gambling Prince (3-1); 2, Lost for Words (8-1); 3, Saucy Dancer (50-1). 19 ran. Sanhedrin (FR) 9-4 fav. NRs: Run to Me, Breac Ban, Eggington.
3.15: 1, Spiders Web (7-4 fav); 2, Hadajar (5-1); 3, Foxwell (20-1). 17 ran. NRs: Forton, Just for Sure, Silent Flier.
3.45: 1, Skateboard (16-1); 2, Lucky Mistake (10-1); 3, Stone Pat (11-1); 4, Dobsons Choice (16-1). 18 ran. Guery's Gift 9-2 fav. NRs: Mossy Moore, Goldoration.
4.20: 1, Otter Way (20-1); 2, Gill O'Whiskey (33-1); 3, Honourable Man (4-1 fav). 17 ran. NRs: Casa Knipa, Housemistress, Playfield.
4.50: 1, Armagnac Princess (2-1 fav); 2, Tamdhu (6-1); 3, Bridge Ash (16-1); 4, Priests Rock (8-1). 16 ran. NRs: Seamus O'Flynn, Superbreaks.
5.20: 1, Great Head Boy (6-1); 2, Cambridge Gold (33-1); 3, Lion Hill (33-1); 4, Royal Portora (20-1). 19 ran. Fishermans View, Never Deemed 5-1 jt favs. NR: Applejo.

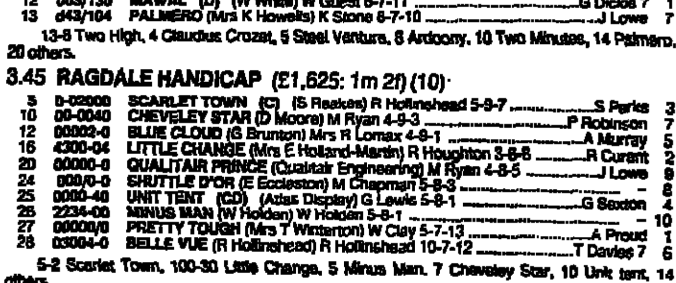
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EXMOOR: Hunt: Alto Fancy. BFS: Furlmist. Adjacent: Bratton Fair. Ladies: Majetta Crescent. Open: Village Green. Restricted: Arenig.
MELTON: H: Scots Salute. R (I) Shifting Gold. L: Highgate Lady. N: Ryedale. F: Boonabaroo. O: Cheelvo Ora. R (II): Cabar Faidh.
TIVYSIDE: H: Jacqueline. O: Flap. L: Gemmerley Jane. R: China Wedding. A: Garngill, M: Final Flirtation.

BLINKERS FIRST TIME: Lingfield: 2.0: Imperial Champagne, Bold Queen, Neraida. 2.30: Son Of Manado. 4.30: Saunson Boy. Leicester: 2.15: Hyperion Prince, Royben Boy, Tudor Enterprise. 4.45: May Be This Time.

STATE OF GOING Lingfield: Heavy. Leicester: Soft. Tomorrow Hamilton: Good to soft. Yarmouth: Good.

● The former English-trained four-year-old Super Sunrise, ridden by Craig Perret, won one of the $100,000 Red Smith Handicap series by a short head from Mariacho at Belmont Park yesterday.



Law Report June 6, 1983

Mens rea element prejudicial to military order

Regina v Miller (Geoffrey)

Before Lord Justice Watkins, Mr Justice Park and Sir John Thompson

[Judgment delivered May 27]

While *mens rea* might not be an element to be considered in all forms of conduct which could properly be said to be prejudicial to good order and military discipline, it was an important consideration in others. Whether that was so could be determined only by the context of the particulars of the conduct alleged as set out in a charge under section 69 of the Army Act 1955.

The Courts Martial Appeal Court so stated when giving judgment allowing the appeal by Major Geoffrey Hillyard Miller, Royal Artillery, who was convicted on May 21, 1982 by a general court martial (Assistant Judge Advocate General C. Grenville Gould) of two charges of signing a false document contrary to section 62(a) of the Army Act 1955, and two charges of conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, contrary to section 69.

He was acquitted by the court martial of other charges including two charges of theft.

The prosecution had alleged that the appellant, a gunnery instructor who was required to travel a great deal, had claimed for mileage allowances in his own car when in fact he had used an army vehicle, and for night subsistence allowances to which he was not entitled.

Mr Alastair Sharp for the appellant; Mr Michael Hucker for the prosecution.

LORD JUSTICE WATKINS, giving the judgment of the court, said that the only issue upon each of the charges under section 62(a) which the court had to resolve was whether each entry undoubtedly made on the claim forms was to the appellant's knowledge false in a material particular.

The verdicts on these charges were unsafe and unsatisfactory, *inter alia*, because the summing-up did not contain a sufficient direction on what was meant by "material particular". The court should have been directed to the effect that to be material a particular must be such as would be likely to play a part in influencing the decision to allow or disallow the claim.

The charges under section 69 were alternative to charges of theft of the moneys paid as allowances, of which the appellant was acquitted. Since all the ingredients of theft save that of dishonesty were admitted, the court must have acquitted the appellant of stealing the moneys because they were not satisfied that he had behaved dishonestly in making claims for them.

What, therefore, did he do wrong which could be said to offend against military law? It was alleged that although not dishonest in making claims for allowances he was, upon the same evidence going to the theft charges, guilty of conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that, having stayed at his private residence, he improperly claimed and received nightly rates of subsistence allowance, to which he was not entitled, thereby occasioning loss to the public. Thus it was alleged he had behaved with impropriety.

The court had been directed that an offence under section 69 was not one of strict liability. Their Lordships did not propose to attempt to create an all-embracing authority upon the subject of *mens rea* in the context of the offence.

They felt able to say, however, that while *mens rea* might not be an element to be considered in all forms of conduct which could properly be said to be prejudicial to good order and military discipline, it was an important consideration in others. Whether it was could only be determined by the context of the particulars of the conduct alleged as set out in a charge under section 69.

In the present case the particulars were stated in that form. An allegation of acting improperly being therein contained, the state of the appellant's mind at the relevant time was bound to be considered.

The Assistant Judge Advocate General rightly directed the court that *mens rea* was an element in the offence, but further directions he had given could not have done other than confuse the court. The convictions were unsafe and unsatisfactory.

An equally compelling reason for quashing the convictions was that really this was a situation in which the appellant was either guilty of acting dishonestly to obtain money he was not entitled to, or his conduct in presenting his claims was in no sense of the word improper or otherwise open to criticism.

Take away dishonesty, and consequently take away any knowledge that he was doing wrong, and the whole offence was taken away. No one could suggest that in those circumstances it would be prejudicial to good order and discipline if an officer made an honest but mistaken claim for allowances to which he was not entitled. Yet that was what those convictions suggested.

Their Lordships found it necessary to add that the addition to the charges of the alternatives under that section was inappropriate and should not have been done.

Solicitors: Anthony W. Jeremy & Co, Cardiff; Director, Army Legal Services.

No injustice over omitting direction

Regina v Woolven

Before Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice, Lord Justice Ackner and Mr Justice Leonard

[Judgment delivered May 27]

Even if it had been necessary to read the effect of a "claim of right" defence under section 2(1)(a) of the Theft Act 1968 into the definition of dishonestly obtaining property by deception in section 15 of that Act, doing so would have added nothing to the direction given to the jury on a charge of attempting to obtain property by deception, and there was nothing unsafe or unsatisfactory about the conviction.

The Court of Appeal so stated when giving reserved reasons for dismissing an appeal by Jonathan Robert Woolven, aged 32, from conviction at Birmingham Crown Court (Judge Ross QC and a jury) of attempting to obtain property by deception. He was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment of which six months were to be held in suspense.

Mr Christopher Hotten, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant. Mr Nicholas J D Webb for the Crown.

MR JUSTICE LEONARD said that the appellant, who had opened a bank account using a false name, knew that money would be transferred to it from an account belonging to a man called Roberts, a hotelier for whom the appellant had worked and who gave evidence for the Crown at the trial.

The appellant understood that Roberts could not withdraw the money in the ordinary way because if he did so the bank would claim it so as to reduce an overdraft.

The appellant knew about a false letter purporting to establish his identity in order to induce the bank to part with £16,200.

Eventually he conceded that ordinary people would, on his own version, have found his behaviour to be dishonest. He maintained that he had not thought it to be dishonest at the time.

The full offence of obtaining property by deception under section 15 was committed by "A person who, by any deception dishonestly obtains property belonging to another, with the intention of permanently depriving the other of it".

Mr Hotten argued that to section 15 there was to be applied the partial definition of dishonesty in section 2(1), that "A person's appropriation of property belonging to another is not to be regarded as dishonest (a) if he appropriates the property in the belief that he has in law the right to deprive the other of it on behalf of himself or of a third person . . . ".

Mr Hotten submitted that the direction should have been to the effect that, if the jury concluded that the appellant might have attempted to obtain the money from the bank in the belief that he had in law the right to deprive them of it on behalf of Roberts, whom he understood to be its owner, they should acquit.

While conceding that section 1(3) prevented the application of section 2(1)(a) to section 15, Mr Hotten asked the court to read its effect into the definition of obtaining by deception.

The question which arose for decision was whether the judge's direction as to the element of dishonesty was adequate to do justice in the present case.

The judge had directed the jury in accordance with *R v Ghosh* (*The Times* April 17, 1982; [1982] QB 1053) and stated, *inter alia*, "If, having heard all the evidence in the case your final conclusion is that notwithstanding what he did he may not have regarded it as dishonest, that is an answer to this charge."

Any direction based on the concept of claim of right as set out in section 2(1)(a), or otherwise, would have added nothing to what the judge in fact said.

Indeed, a direction based on *Ghosh* seemed likely to their Lordships to cover all occasions when a section 2 (1)(a) direction might otherwise have been desirable.

It was inevitable that the jury would disbelieve that the appellant had not thought his behaviour to be dishonest at the time, even if they believed his account otherwise.

There was nothing unsafe or unsatisfactory about the conviction and the appeal was dismissed.

Solicitors: Mr I. S. Manson, Birmingham.



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Further particulars from the Secretary to the University, University of Edinburgh, Old College, South Bridge, Edinburgh, EH8 9YL, with whom applications (giving the names of two referees) should be lodged by 17th June, 1983.

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HORIZONS

Party HQ: your starter for No. 10?

Marjorie Harris maps out a plan of attack in the fight for jobs

There is one group of political full-timers whose careers will be unaffected by the election results. Win or lose, the work of the political parties' administrators and researchers will go on.

Conservatives, Labour and the Alliance between them have about 1000 staff to provide the professional backbone for a largely amateur career. Work within the party organization has provided vital pre-Parliamentary experience for a number of Cabinet Ministers. On the Labour side, both Peter Shore and Denis Healey spent time heading sections of the headquarters research department, while the last Parliament included a small army of ex-Central Conservative MPs.

As a way into a political career, therefore, a job with the Party can be an excellent starter. But calculating careerists need to be circumspect about their allegiance. The Conservative Party employs most and has by far the greatest range of opportunities but it works in mysterious ways. Labour is more open, but more modest in scale. The Liberals and the Social Democrats, apart from admitting that their staff was tiny, none of their spokesmen had any idea who their full-timers were, or what they did.

The size of the Conservative Party agency network is justly famous for its impressive proportions. About two-thirds of the country is covered, compared with a mere 70 constituencies which have Labour Party agents. For the eager whizz-kid, oiling the party machinery out in the sticks may not be the best way to political stardom. Instead it is London, and the intellectual hothouse of the research departments which probably provide the best environment for nuturing talent.

The two main parties agree that the ideal candidate for a research job is university-educated, and aged under 30. But that is as far as their agreement goes.

Monica Foot based at Labour's unfashionable and politically remote based in Walworth Road said: "We normally get over 300 applicants for every vacancy and of those about 100 are good, suitable candidates. A lot of our people nowadays have done academic research. We also like to see active party membership, student union involvement and maybe experience as a local councillor or as a trades unionist".

Keenness, however, is not necessarily a virtue where the Conservatives are concerned, although hard work and the ability to write well are essential. "I suppose our recruits tend to be Conservative supporters but it is not a particular requirement", I was told. Previous experience within the party was almost taboo. But reality belies the apparant langour of the admission that "We've only ever advertised once. That was for an economist in *The Economist*. We only got three applicants and it was a complete disaster. In fact the Conservatives have a small team of talent spotters, including Lord Beloff, out scouring for promising offspring of the Eastablishment. Names of likely candidates mostly young men from the City, are discreetly passed on. A few, like John Whittingdale, head of the political section, come straight from university. It is unashamedly the Old Boy net.

However valuable and interesting the work in the party headquarters may be it is usually only a stepping stone to other things. Aside from the truly committed *apparatchiks* who go on to the House of Commons or get jobs as special advisers to Secretaries of State most proceed into other kinds of research, often in the media. As both parties confessed, having such a nursery for future opinion-formers is very useful. "You know it can be valuable occasionally to phone up an ex-colleague on a newspaper and put him right about things – and of course it is terrific for them having built up such a lot of contacts." Whatever their offer differences, on the merits of political researchers the two parties spoke with one voice.

First give yourself a job

As the election draws near Edward Fennel looks at the people who work the party machine

How hard finding a job will be depends on your abilities and the state of the economy but also on the spirit in which you attempt to be successful. Whether you have experience or are looking for your first job, you still need to bring the same attack to the process and the same thought to analysing what is right for you. As well as what you would ideally like to do it is sensible to consider realistic alternatives where there may be better chances of being accepted.

If you are a school leaver, you have the benefit of up-to-date advice from your careers service. You should be informed about the new Youth Training Scheme for those who do not go on to full-time education. The need to register at a Jobcentre will have been explained. But because you are now part of the "system" you should not simply sit back. Do some independent thinking. You are the best person to help yourself. Use your initiative and tackle the job hunt as a real occupation: this will have the extra advantage of establishing the habit of work. see your task as a challenge from which you can even extract some fun. Life may be serious but need not be miserable.

A business like approach is essential. List sources of jobs: as well as the careers officer, friends and relatives may have suggestions; look at small as well as large advertiments in the press and at cards in newsagents; commercial employment agencies are especially good for office work; factory noticeboards are anoyher source. Be ready to take *any* work, odd jobs, tempory or even voluntary work. No experience is ever wasted and you will be more attractive to potential employer if you can show what nou gave done by your own efforts.

Having noted possible openings, submit applications. Pull out all the stops at once. It is useless writing one letter at a time, waiting for a reply, being turned down and starting again from sctatch. Keep records. List vacancies, the dates you asked for details, when your application was sent in and a reply received. Draw up a *curriculum vitae*. This saves you time when filling in employers' forms.

One tip which will help you to send in a tidy application is to photocopy the firm's form, complete that copy and then transfer your details to the original.

The purpose of your letter, which must be tailored to each vacancy, is to achieve an interview. If you are offered one you have done well. Again, preparation will enable you to make the most of this opportunity. Find out all you can about the organization. Think up questions the interviewer may ask and decide how you would answer. You are likely to be asked if you have any yourself so jot some down beforehand. Your appearance and manner plus your qualidications willassist the interviewer to decide whether you are the person for the job so take care and above all arrive in good time.

If you have no luck, this is not necessarily your fault. Remember that you are competing with others. Keep up your morale by realizing that employers do not interview more candidates than they must and at least you were thought worth seeing. Meantime, you have had some practice which you can turn to good account next time.

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DEATHS

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DAVIS on 1st June, 1983, peacefully in her sleep Lily Victoria aged 86, formerly of 90 Wigmore Street, London. Widow of Victor, director of Finlaters. Funeral service at Golders Green Crematorium on Friday, June 10th, at 3 pm (West Chapel).

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NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF EUROPEAN DEPOSITARY RECEIPTS (EDRs) IN MAKITA ELECTRIC WORKS LTD.

Further to our notice of February 14, 1983, EDR holders are informed that Makita Electric Works has paid a dividend to holders of record February 20, 1983. The cash dividend payable is Yen 10.5 per Common Stock of Yen 50.00 per share. Pursuant to Clause 8 of the Deposit Agreement the Depositary has converted the net amount, after deduction of Japanese withholding taxes, into United States Dollars.
EDR holders may now present Coupon No. 4 for payment to the undermentioned agents.

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The full rate of 20% will also be applied to any dividends unclaimed after September 20, 1983.
Amounts payable in respect of current dividends.

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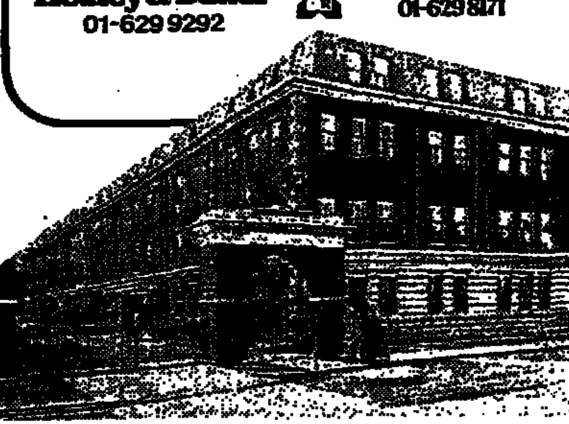
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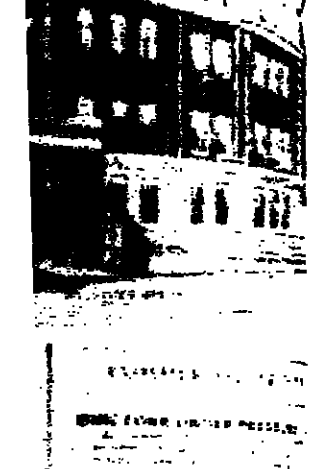
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Today's television and radio programmes

Edited by Peter Dear

BBC 1

6.00 Ceefax AM. News headlines, weather, sport and traffic details. Available to viewers with television sets without the teletext facility.

6.30 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Selina Scott. News from Debbie Rix at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30 with headlines on the quarter hours; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45, and 8.15; keep fit between 6.45 and 7.00; horoscopes between 8.30 and 8.45.

9.05 Election Call. Sir Robin Day in the studio with Mr Michael Foot awaiting listeners' and viewers' questions. The number to ring is 01-580 4411. The lines are open from 8.00am (with Radio 4)

10.00 You and Me. For four and five-year-olds. The story is The Gingerbread Man (r) 10.15 For Schools, Colleges: Music Time 10.38 Modern History: Mao Tse-tung 11.00 Renewable energy (ends at 11.20) 11.42, French conversation 12.00 Mind Stretchers 12.05 Closedown

12.30 News After Noon With Richard Whitmore and Sandi Marshall. The weather details come from Michael Fish 1.02 Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles) 1.05 See Hear Election Special. Facts and information in sign language (shown yesterday) 1.30 Closedown.

1.45 Chigley. A See-Saw programmme for the very young (r) 2.01 For Schools, Colleges: Words and Pictures 2.18 The Global Village 2.40 Plants in Action. The last of the present series about science in gardening (r) 3.05 Bonanza. Ben Cartwright faces a dilemma when he has to ask the assistance of a man he detests (r) 3.53 Regional news (not London or Scotland).

3.55 Play School. Shown earlier on BBC 2 4.20 Space Sentinels. Animated science fiction adventures (r) 4.40 The Littlest Hobo. Adventures of a German shepherd dog 5.05 John Craven's Newsround 5.10 Blue Peter examines the early episodes of the television serial, Blake's Seven.

5.40 News with Moira Stuart 6.00 South East at Six with Sue Cook, Laurie Mayer and Fran Morrison.

6.25 Nationwide including Hugh Scully's Watchdog.

6.50 Living Legends: Dick Turpin. Magnus Magnusson uncovers the truth behind the myth of England's most famous highwayman (r).

7.20 Matt Houston. A birthday party nearly ends in disaster as the millionaire detective becomes the intended victim of a madman.

8.10 Panorama, presented by Fred Emery. The Case for Labour. Sir Robin Day interviews Mr Michael Foot.

9.00 Election Broadcast on behalf of the Labour Party.

9.10 News with John Humphrys and Campaign Report from David Dimbleby.

9.50 Film: Mr Ricco (1975) starring Dean Martin and Eugene Roche. Drama about a black militant leader framed for a double murder. Martin plays his crusading lawyer striving to defend his client against all odds. The first showing on British television for this Paul Bogart directed film.

1.23 News headlines.

1.25 Film 83 introduced by Iain Johnstone. The last programme in the series includes reviews of Return of the Jedi and The Hunger and previews of the summer's attractions such as Superman III and Psycho II.

1.55 Weather.

TV-am

6.25 Good Morning Britain presented by Nick Owen and Anne Diamond. News at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 9.00; sport at 6.45 and 7.45; cartoon at 6.50; Martin Wainwright reviews the morning papers at 7.05; Robert Kee's election special with Denis Healey at 7.32; pop video at 7.55; comedy at 8.05; today's television previewed at 8.35; a guest remembers – Beatlemania and the Profumo affair 9.05; and keep fit with Mad Lizzie at 9.15. Closedown at 9.25. The guest is Dickie Henderson.

ITV/LONDON

9.30 For Schools: Canoe building by North American Indians. 9.47 Micro-electronic technology in the home. 10.04 How the media covers the young. 10.31 Telling a Tale. 10.48 Religious Education. 11.08 Simple arithmetic. 11.22 Looking at corners. 11.39 Parenthood.

12.00 Alphabet Zoo: Nerys Hughes and Ralph McTell with S for Seal. 12.10 Let's Pretend (r). 12.30 A Better Read. The last programme in the series and Janet Street-Porter is Tom Coyne's guest.

1.00 News with Leonard Parkin. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 City Priest. The Rev. Michael Armitage, a priest of St John's Angell Town, Brixton, talks about the problems of his job (r).

2.00 Film: The Silencers (1966) starring Dean Martin and Stella Stevens. Martin plays Matt Helm, a sort of poor man's James Bond, brought out of retirement to save the western world from the fiendish Chinese. Directed by Phil Karlson.

4.00 Alphabet Zoo. A repeat of the programme shown at noon. 4.15 Cartoon Time: Martian Through Georgia. 4.20 The New Fantastic Four in an animated adventure entitled The Menace of Magneto. 4.45 Play: The Restless Ghost, by Leon Garfield. A schoolboy prank goes badly wrong when an unearthly figure appears in the graveyard. 5.15 Diff'rent Strokes.

5.45 News 6.00 Thames news.

6.25 Help!

6.35 Crossroads. Adam Chance is in a bit of a fix but survives, thanks to some help from an unexpected quarter.

7.00 Village Earth: A Quiet Revolution. A documentary about the ladies of the Tunisian Women's Union who dispense advice to those of their kind who live in the traditionally male-dominated society of southern Tunisia.

7.30 Coronation Street. Mavis Riley is taken by Victor Pendlebury to his country cottage.

8.00 World in Action Special: The Election 500. Gus MacDonald is the chairman when the selected cross-section of the population comes face to face with the party leaders to question them on their party's policies.

9.00 Election Broadcast by the Labour Party.

9.10 Quincy. The investigative pathologist enters the world of drug-taking in sport when a young gymnast is killed by a fall.

10.10 News.

10.45 Octopussy: The Royal Premiere. Chris Kelly and Judith Chalmers are at the Odeon, Leicester Square, to talk to the celebrities at the premiere of the latest James Bond film, attended by the Prince and Princess of Wales.

11.30 Film: City of the Dead* (1960) starring Christopher Lee. An occult horror movie set in the present day about witchcraft in New England. Directed by John Moxey.

12.55 Close with the Rev Peter Lewis.

Lee Remick: Channel 4, 10.10pm

CHOICE

● Robert Duvall is superb as General Eisenhower in the three-part IKE (Channel 4 10.10pm) beginning tonight. The film, cleverly mixing archive material with the acting, begins with the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor. Eisenhower, a one-star General is given a desk job by five-star General Marshall (Dana Andrews) but quickly finds himself posted to London where he has an inauspicious first meeting with Kay Summersby, his driver, later to become his mistress. Lee Remick acts bravely with, for her, a banal script, but as the film is based on Miss Summersby's book we must take as accurate Miss Remick's portrayal of the divorcee. With a clipped, very un-Lambeth like accent, Miss Summersby sweeps a bemused US Major Arnold off his feet at the same time making herself indispensible to the General. Ian Richardson gives his usual bravura performance as Montgomery with Wensley Pithey a creditable Winston Churchill. A riveting film when there is some action but the few sentimental scenes are somewhat of an embarrassment.

● First performed at the Royal Court ten years ago, Ted Whitehead's THE SEA ANCHOR (Radio 4 8.00pm) has been adapted for radio by the author and stars Jonathan Pryce and Michael Angelis as Les and Andy, two of a group of five friends who take a week-end's jaunt to Dublin from their native Liverpool. Four of them take the ferry while the fifth decides to sail across the Irish Sea in his dinghy. The four await the arrival of their intrepid friend on the jetty, drinking lots of strong liquour under a blazing sun. As night draws in the weather turns nasty as does the once lighthearted, boozy, banter and an air of aggression settles on the quartet. Mr Whitehead's clever, slightly menacing, script is powerfully acted by both Pryce and Angelis.

● There is a welcome repeat this evening of Francis Watson's examination of the life and work of Eric Gill. Cyril Shaps is the voice of Gill in TO HELL WITH CULTURE (Radio 3 7.00pm) and with a little help from, among others, Sir John Rothenstein and Gill's biographer, Malcolm Yorke, Watson brings to life the extraordinary stone carver, engraver and typographer.

BBC 2

6.30 Open University: Sociology: Caste and Class. 6.55 Maths: Catastrophe Theory. 7.20 Discovering Chemistry. 7.45 King Frederick and Voltaire. 8.10 Closedown.

10.15 Play School. For the under fives, presented by Sarah Long and Andrew Secombe. The story is Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Sailor, by Maureen Roffey. 10.40 Closedown.

5.10 Bedford: A Pioneering College. An Open University production examining the range of courses available to students at the Bedford College of Higher Education.

5.40 Topper*. Vintage American comedy series about a pair of ghosts who come to haunt their former earthly home in the company of a dipsomaniac dog. Starring Leo G. Carroll.

6.05 Three Monks. Chinese-made animated story based on an old Chinese saw (postponed from May 18).

6.25 I Can Jump Puddles. Episode six of the serial based on the autobiographical novels of Alan Marshall. Nineteen-year old cripple, Alan, sets off for a few job interviews and a manuscript for the Bulletin. But the harsh realities of literary life in Melbourne prove to be depressing.

7.15 Election Broadcast in behalf of the Labour Party.

7.25 News summary with subtitles.

7.30 Wildlife on Two: Whale of a Tangle. David Attenborough talks to the fishermen of Newfoundland about the methods thay have developed to protect their fishing tackle from Humpback Whales moving inshore in search of food. In 1979 30 whales died in net entanglements and $3million-worth of fishing equipment was destroyed (r).

8.00 Call My Bluff. Another edition in the lighthearted duel of words series between Frank Muir's team of Joanna Lumley and Hugh Leonard and Arthur Marshall's, comprising Patricia Hodge and Nick Ross. The referee is Robert Robinson.

8.30 Petula. An anniversary concert from the Royal Albert Hall, London, celebrating Petula Clark's 40 years in showbusiness.

9.25 Spotlight. The last in the series features old Goon, Spike Milligan, who recalls his career in show business.

10.10 Private Lives, presented by Maria Aitken. Her guests are Yehudi Menuhin and Clare Francis who reveal the sights, sounds and smells that have a special meaning for them. Their musical memories are jogged by Peter Skellern.

10.45 Newsnight. Linda Alexander and Joan Bakewell have the non-election news while John Tusa, Peter Snow and Donald MacCormick report from the constituencies and Vincent Hanna analyses the voters' intentions in the Newsnight 100. End at 11.50

CHANNEL 4

5.00 A Kind of Living. In the third programme of the self-sufficiency series Susan Penhaligon investigates the problems of what to grow if space is at a premium. Peter Raine from the National Centre for Alternative Technology talks about organic gardening while Edward Gough has some information about some ingenious methods of pest control.

5.30 Loose Talk, presented by Steve Taylor. Iconoclastic gossip mixed with hard news and live music. Among those appearing are Victor Romero Evans, a young black actor and comedian and Dom Shaw who reviews Return of the Jedi. The Hunger and Wicked Lady. The music is provided by Urban Shakedown and the guest presenter is last year's young journalist of the year, Nicholas Coleridge. Elvis Costello performs, exclusively, his latest single, Pills and Soap.

6.30 Numbers at Work. In the third of his series for the numerically illiterate Fred Harris tackles multiplication.

7.00 Channel Four News. Peter Sissons and Sarah Hogg with the latest news of the politicians on the stump. There are also interviews with Cecil Parkinson, Denis Healey and David Owen.

8.00 International Volleyball. The second semifinal of the West European Women's Championship. Commentating from Aston Villa Sports Centre on the game between France and West Germany are Bonna Den Hollander and Keith Nicholls. There are also highlights of the game between Scotland and Austria.

9.00 Vietnam: Secret Wars – Laos and Cambodia. Part nine of the 12-part series looking at the Vietnam conflict from every aspect, fixes its attention on the Cambodian government's attempts to keep the country out of the conflict. Prince Sihanouk failed. In 1969 President Nixon ordered his Air Force to carry-out a clandestine bombing campaign on Cambodia and, the following year, authorised an invasion.

10.00 Election Broadcast by the Labour Party.

10.10 Ike. Episode one of a three-part Best Sellers production first shown on ITV about Dwight D Eisenhower, tracing his career from the bombing of Pearl Harbor to the D Day landings followed by the successful liberation of Paris. Not just a war story, the serial examines Ike's relationships with other leading figures of the period and also his affectionate friendship with Kay Summersby, a British volunteer who became his driver-secretary. Starring Robert Duvall as Ike with Lee Remick as Kay Summersby, Ian Richardson as Field Marshal Montgomery and the unlikely sounding Wensley Pithey as Winston Churchill.

11.50 Closedown.

Radio 4

6.00 News briefing.
6.10 Farming week. 6.25 Shipping Forecast.
6.30 Today, including 6.45 Prayer for the Day. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.30, 8.30 News Headlines. 7.45 Thought for the Day.
8.40 The Week on 4.
8.47 Party Election Broadcast by the Labour Party. 8.57 Weather, Travel.
9.00 News. 9.05 Election Call: 01-580 4411 (lines open from 8.00am). Simultaneous broadcast with BBC 1.
10.00 News.
10.02 Money Box.
10.30 Morning Story "One Day They'll Marry" by Leslie Halward.
10.45 Daily Service †.
11.00 News, Travel.
11.03 Down Your Way visits Forfar in the Vale of Strathmore in Tayside.
11.48 Poetry Please!
12.00 News.
12.02 You and Yours.
12.27 The Price of Fear †. "To My Dear, Dear Saladin" by William Ingram. 12.55 Weather, Travel.
1.00 The World at One: News.
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast.
2.00 News.
2.02 Woman's Hour.
3.00 News.
3.02 Afternoon Theatre "When Echoes Fade" by Ivor Wilson. †.
4.30 Just the Job: The Postman.
4.40 Story Time: "The Breaker" by Kit Denton (9).
5.00 PM: News Magazine. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather.
6.00 The Six O'clock News; Financial Report.
6.30 The News Quiz †.
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Aspects of the Fringe. Selection of music and comedy from the 1982 Edinburgh Fringe.
8.00 The Monday Play. "The Sea Anchor" by E. A. Whitehead.
9.30 Kaleidoscope: Arts magazine. 9.59 Weather.
10.00 The World Tonight: News.
10.30 Science Now.
11.00 A Book at Bedtime: "The Turn-around" by Vladimir Volkoff (6).
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Election Platform: Extracts from the day's major speeches.
12.00 News; Weather. 12.15-12.23 Shipping Forecast, Inshore Forecast.

VHF as above except: 6.25-6.30am Weather; Travel. 10.00-10.45 For Schools: 10.00 See For Yourself. 10.10 Time to Move. 10.30 Playtime Extra. 11.00-12.00 For Schools: 11.00 Let's Move. 11.20 Voix de France. 11.40 Movement and Drama II. 1.55pm Listening Corner. 2.00-3.00 For Schools: 2.00 Introducing Geography. 2.20 Lifetime. 2.40 Dance Workshop. 5.55 PM (cont) 11.00 Study on 4: 11.00 Kitchen Sense. 11.15 Finger and Thumb Keep Moving. 11.30-12.10 Open University: 11.30 The Narrator in "Middlemarch" 11.50 The Grand Inquisitor.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather.
7.00 News.
7.05 Morning Concert Bach, Daniel Bachelar, Schulz, Handel; records. 8.00 News. 8.05 Morning Concert (continued) Gounod, Schumann, Wagner, Blacher;†
9.00 News.
9.05 This week's composers Max Reger and Hans Pfitzner; records.†
10.00 John McCabe Piano recital: Clementi, Bax.†
10.40 Respighi BBC Philharmonic Orchestra.†
11.05 Haydn Chamber music.†
11.55 French Music BBC Scottish Symphony Orch: Berlioz, Saint Saëns, Poulenc.†
1.00 News.
1.05 BBC Lunchtime Concert String Quartets by Shostakovich, Smetana.†
2.05 Matinee Musicale Vaughan Williams, Messager, Schubert arr. Liszt, Delius, Walton.†
3.05 New Records Prokofiev, Franck, Saint-Saëns, C.P.E. Bach, Schubert.†
4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure.†
6.30 Snetzler Organ Recital: Mendelssohn, Brahms, W.G. Alcock.†
7.00 To Hell with Culture Francis Watson investigates the life and work of stone carver Eric Gill (1882-1940).†
7.45 Beethoven: The 32 Pianos Sonatas More of Brendel's cycle.†
8.30 Rural Rhymes Poetry.
8.35 Beethoven (continued).†
9.30 The Fires of London Concert. Part 1: Michael Finnissy. 9.55 Interval Reading 10.05 Concert, part 2: Peter Maxwell Davies.†
10.45 Jazz in Britain Bill Smith with the Maury Coles Trio.†
11.15 News

VHF ONLY – Open University: 6.15 am Purgatory 6.35-6.55 Altarpiece Theme. 11.20 pm The Ghent Altarpiece 11.40-12.00 Understanding Chemistry.

Radio 2

5.00 Ken Bruce. (f) 7.30 Terry Wogan. (f) 10.00 Jimmy Young. (f) 12.00 Music While You Work. (f) 12.30 Gloria Hunniford. (f) 2.30 Ed Stewart. (f) 4.00 David Hamilton. (f) 6.00 John Dunn. (f) 7.28 Cricket Desk. 7.30 Alan Dell. (f) 8.45 Humphrey Lyttelton. (f) 9.30 Star Sound Special. 9.57 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Monday Movie Quiz 10.30 Stuart Hall (Stereo form midnight). 1.00 John Dunn with Two's Best. (f) 2.00-5.00 Charles Nove (f) presents You and the Night and the Music.

Radio 1

6.00 Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Mike Smith including, 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.00 Steve Wright. 4.30 Janice Long, including 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.00 Platform Nine. 8.00 David Jensen. 10.00 John Peel. (f) 12.00 midnight Close.
VHF RADIOS 1 and 2 5.00am with Radio 2; 10.00pm with Radio 1; 12.00-5.00am with Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00am Newsdesk. 6.30 Baker's Half Dozen. 7.00 World News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary. 7.30 A Day in the Life of . . . . 7.50 Recording of the Week. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 Peebles' Choice. 8.30 Anything Goes. 9.00 World News. 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 Waveguide. 9.25 Good Books. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Music Now. 10.15 The Brotherhood of Brass. 11.00 World News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 The Classic Albums. 11.30 A Day in the Life of . . . 11.50 Recording of the Week. 12pm Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Brain of Britain. 12.45 Sports Round-up. 1.00 World News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary. 1.30 Country Style. 1.45 Thirty Minute Theatre. 2.15 Against the Trend. 2.30 John Peel. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Outlook. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Music in the Family. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary. 8.30 Sports International. 9.00 Network UK. 9.15 What's New. 9.30 Europe's Untidy Peace. 10.00 World News. 10.09 The World Today. 10.25 Book Choice. 10.30 Financial News. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Classic Record Review. 11.30 Brian of Britain 1983. 12.00 World News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 A Thirty-Minute Theatre. 1.00 Waveguide. 1.10 Paperback Choice. 1.15 Outlook: News Summary. 1.45 Parade. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 Network UK. 2.30 Sports International. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News about Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 John Peel. 4.45 Financial News. 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 World News. 5.09 Twenty-four Hours: News Summary. 5.45 The World Today.
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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

BBC1

WALES 1.02-1.05 News of Wales headlines. 3.55-3.56 News of Wales headlines. 6.00-6.25 Wales today. 6.50-7.00 Party election broadcast (Plaid Cymru). 7.00-7.30 Make it work. . . . 7.30-8.10 Barbara Mandrell and the Mandrell Sisters. 11.55 News and weather. SCOTLAND 1.00pm-1.05 The Scottish News. 6.00-6.10 Party Election Broadcast (Scottish National Party). 6.10-6.35 Reporting Scotland. 6.35-7.20 Election Forum. 11.55-12-05am On the Campaign Trail. 12.05 News and weather. NORTHERN IRELAND 1.02pm-1.05 Northern Ireland News. 3.53-3.55 Northern Ireland News. 6.00-6.25 Scene around six. 6.25-6.50 Election Forum '83. 6.50-7.20 Wisecrack. 11.55 News and weather. ENGLAND 6.00pm-6.25 Regional news magazines. 6.50-7.20 East – Let Justice Be Done: (The Charismatic Cut-Throat). Midlands – The Dog Show. North – A Voyage between Two Seas. 4: 'Down the Aire and Calder.' North East – Heroes: Frank Middlemass talks about people he admires. North West – The Brass Beat. (Wardle High Youth Band). South – South Sport. South West – Our Undersea World: Lobsters. West – Breakthrough 83. 12.00 midnight close.

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Starts 2.20pm Yr Eliffant Glas. 2.35 Interval. 3.25 Irish Angle. 4.00 Opinions. 4.25 Partly Satirical Broadcast. 4.50 Clwb S4C. 4.55 Pili-Pala. 5.00 Disgyn I'r Haul. 5.30 Everybody Here. 6.00 Square Pegs. 6.30 Dick Van Dyke Show. 6.55 Gair Yn El Bryd. 7.00 Election Broadcast. 7.10 Newyddion Saith. 7.40 Sêr. 8.10 Pawb Yn El Fro. 8.40 Y Byd Ar Bedwar: Etholiad '83. 9.15 Another Bouquet. 10.15 Election Broadcast. 10.25 Etholiad '83. 10.35 Film: The Lodger. Jack the Ripper moves in with a Victorian family. 12.05am Brazilian Football. 1.00 Gair Yn El Bryd. 1.05 Closedown.

GRANADA

As London except: 1.20pm Granada Reports. 1.30 The Chisholms. 2.25-4.00 Film: Say Hello to Yesterday (Jean Simmonds) Surburban housewife is seduced by Londoner. 5.15-5.45 Gambit. 6.00 Diff'rent Strokes. 6.30-7.00 Granada Reports. 9.10-10.00 Minder. 11.30 Reports Extra: Survivors. 12.00 Benson. 12.30am Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

As London except: 1.20pm Waterloo Bridge Handicap. 2.00 Showcase. 2.15-4.00 Film: Women at West Point. Women in the tough US military academy. 5.15-5.45 Gambit. 6.00 Calendar. 6.30-7.00 Election Extra. 9.10-10.00 Minder. 11.30 At Home with the Spinners. 12.00 Closedown.

TSW

As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Make Me Laugh. 2.00-4.00 Film: Pyjama Game (Dons Day) Fun in a pyjama factory. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30-7.00 Only When I Laugh. 9.10-10.00 Minder. 11.30 Postscript. 11.35 Victims. 12.05am Private View. 12.31 Closedown.

CHANNEL

As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Make me Laugh. 2.00-4.00 Film: The Pyjama Game. As TSW. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 Channel Report. 6.30-7.00 Only When I Laugh. 9.00 Echo. 9.10-10.10 Minder. 11.30 John Wilson's Pop Art. 11.35 Victims. 12.05am Closedown.

ANGLIA

As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Struggle Beneath the Sea. 2.00 Film: Magnificent Seven Deadly Sins (Harry Secombe). Seven light-hearted sketches. 9.00-10.10 Minder. 10.45 Anglia Reports Campaign Special. 11.25 Helen. 11.45 Octopussy: Film premiere. 12.35am Prayer for Life, Closedown.

TVS

As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Bygones. 2.00-4.00 Film: Limbo Line. Intelligence chiefs try to stop one of their agents from cracking a secret. 5.15-5.45 Happy Days. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.30-7.00 South Decides – People's Platform. 11.30 Hill Street Blues. 12.25am Company, Closedown.

SCOTTISH

As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Venture. 2.00-4.00 Film: Sunflower (Sophia Loren) Husband bigamously weds during wartime. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 Scotland Today. 6.45-7.00 Crime Desk. 9.10-10.10 Minder. 11.30 Late Call. 11.35 Star Parade. 12.30am Closedown.

CENTRAL

As London except: 1.20pm Film: To Sir With Love (Sidney Poitier). Coloured teacher in a tough East End school. 5.15-5.45 Private Benjamin. 6.00-7.00 News. 11.30 News. 11.35 Green Shoes. 12.05am Come Close. 12.20 – Closedown.

HTV WEST

As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: Mister Jerico (Patrick Macnee) Conman chases a prized diamond. 3.00-4.00 Bracken. 5.15-5.45 Young Doctors. 6.00-7.00 Election Extra. 9.10-10.10 Minder. 11.30 ELO live in concert. 12.30am Closedown.

HTV WALES

As HTV West except:- 6.00pm Wales at Six. 6.50-7.00 Party Election Broadcast.

BORDER

As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Clegg's People. 2.00-4.00 Film: One More Train To Rob (George Peppard). Train robber comes out of prison and takes up with his old partners. 5.15-5.45 Gambit. 6.00 Election Broadcast. 6.10 Lookaround. 6.30-7.00 Nature Trail. 11.30 Minder. 12.30am News. 12.33 Closedown.

GRAMPIAN

As London except: Starts 9.25am First Thing. 1.20pm News. 1.30 Paint Along with Nancy. 2.00-4.00 Film: San Francisco (Clark Gable). Romantic melodrama set against the 1906 earthquake. 5.15-5.45 Gambit. 6.00 Election Broadcast. 6.10 North Tonight. 6.30-7.00 Country Focus. 9.10-10.10 Minder. 11.30 Star Parade. 12.30am News. 12.35 Closedown.

TYNE TEES

As London except: Starts 1.20pm News and Lookaround. 1.30 Hustings '83. 2.00-4.00 Film: The Magnificent Seven Deadly Sins (Harry Secombe) Seven light-hearted sketches. 5.15-5.45 Mork and Mindy 6.00 News 6.02 Gambit 6.30-7.00 Northern Life 9.10-10.10 Simon and Simon 10.47 Hustings '83 11.15 Hill Street Blues 12.15 Epilogue 12.20 Closedown.

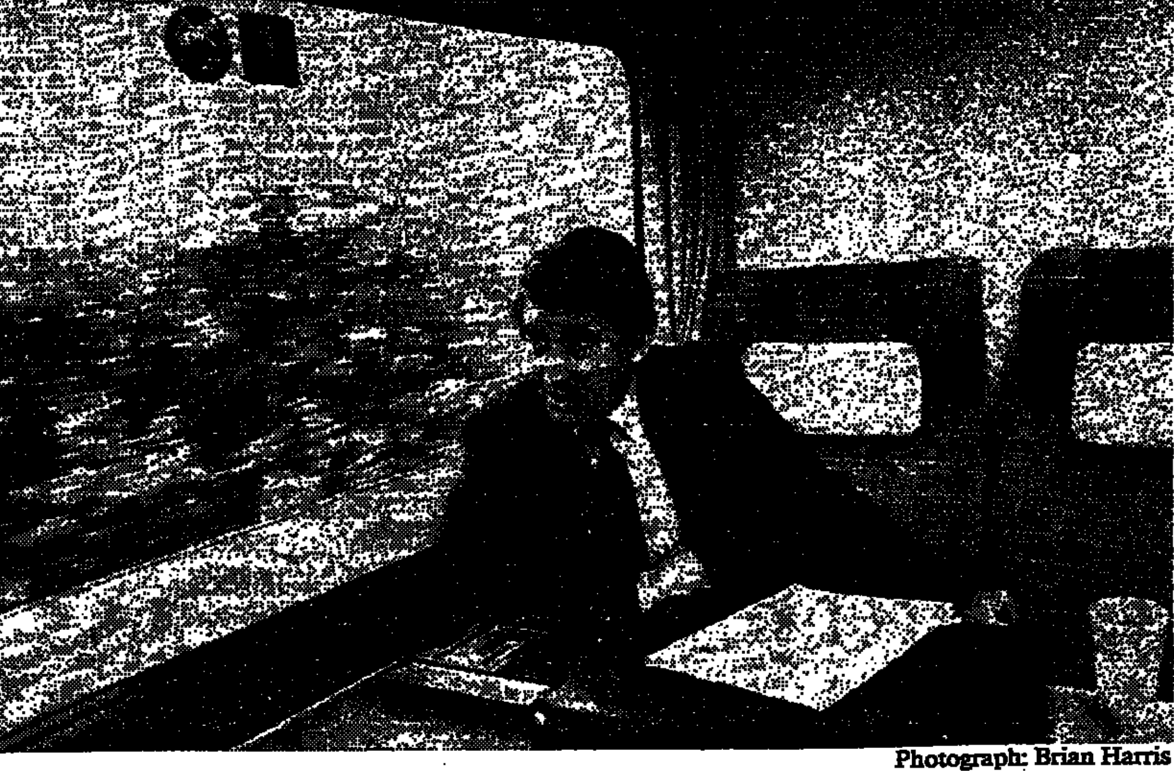
ULSTER

As London except: 1.20pm Lunchtime. 1.30 England, the England. 2.00 Laaurel and Hardy. 2.30-4.00 Film: "Woman of Straw" (Gina Lollobrigida) Tycoon's nurse plots with his nephew. 5.15-5.45 Gambit 6.00 Good Evening, Ulster 6.20 Ulster Decides 6.30-7.00 Diff'rent Strokes 9.10-10-10 Minder 11.30 News, Closedown.

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN.
† Stereo. ★Black and white. (r) Repeat.

David Steel: Soaring high towards polling day

Julian Haviland, Political Editor, talks to David Steel of the Liberals in the first of a series of interviews with the four party leaders



Photograph: Brian Harris

How much sleep do you get?

Not enough, is the short answer. It varies – never more than six hours and usually nearer five. This to me is a great deprivation. I'm hopeless in the early morning and I find these early morning press conferences a tremendous strain.

How do you get the newspapers read?

I don't – not first thing in the morning. Somebody else reads them for me – John Pardoe and Paul Tyler, who draw to my attention anything of significance.

What milage are you doing?

About 5,000 miles on the road as well as the air travel.

Are you trying to cover the whole country or do you concentrate on areas of potential Alliance strength?

By a process of zig-zagging we have, in fact, covered the whole country, and I had a hunch the election was going to be on June 9 and the weekend before it was announced I shot off up to Orkney and Shetland, which I could not possibly have done during the campaign itself.

Is it important that your constituents should not think you take them for granted?

They don't think that, partly because I pride myself on being a very assiduous constituency MP between elections so they forgive my absences during elections, but my life has been made slightly easier because the size of my constituency had been reduced and there are fewer places to to visit.

Has the fact that it is a joint campaign with the SDP reduced the load or added to the complications?

It has added to the complications; but one of the pleasant surprises of the campaign has been how few the complications are. I thought at the beginning that it was going to be a nightmare because every decision I took would have to be referred to the gang of four; but the joint headquarters operation has worked like a dream, and there has been no strain or tension in the Alliance campaign at all. As a result I have been able to add more commitments to my daily programme, including more SDP seats.

If, after polling day, the Liberal Party has a dozen or more MPs and the SDP only one or two – if the SDP fails, will you much care?

You are talking as though this was last week. I don't really think this is a possibility. Had we stuck at the levels of support we were at the beginning of the campaign we would have to face that nightmare; but I think now that the level of support we are getting – and I must assume that it goes on rising towards polling day, is going to be sufficient to ensure that the SDP is there in appreciable numbers.

Are you not just talking up support, because your potential voters need to be persuaded that you are on your way?

But I have been quite accurate in my predictions so far. I have said all the way through the campaign, do not expect any movement until half way through. That was right. The movement came half way through and it is now rising steeply. Where I was wrong is that I did not expect Labour support to collapse so quickly.

Most of the SDP MPs have taken their political lives in their hands by forming their new party, whereas the Liberals are fighting most of the most winnable seats. Has there not been an inequality of risk between the two partners?

It's very difficult to say. If we got the traditional Liberal result, the answer would be "yes" because the SDP would have great difficulty in having enough members to survive. But we are not now contemplating failure and if there is a more substantial swing from Labour than we anticipated at the start of the campaign, the SDP could be the main beneficiaries because they have taken on more of the seats where the Labour vote has to be diverted.

> ‘Growing doubts in the Tory camp about unemployment and the leadership style’

If they were reduced to a rump would you expect them to join the Liberal Party?

We have no commitment on this whatever. We have always said this is an alliance for this election. We are going to work together in the next Parliament whatever happens. Precisely how depends on the outcome and we have three options.

We can either keep this Alliance as two separate parties working together or particularly if we could get electoral reform we shall be able to go our separate ways entirely as parties do on much of the Continent and fight against each other, but still be prepared to work together in Parliament, or we could go the other way – and the two parties will have to reflect on this in a mature way – and we could decide we ought to take the route towards a merger.

If David Owen emerges as the strongest figure in the SDP, could you see him wanting to come in under your leadership in a joint party?

You would have to ask him that.

How are you getting on with him?

David has always had a slightly more prickly relationship with me than the other members of the gang of four. He is that sort of person.

He is also your sort of age, and a rival in that sense?

Well, I don't think it stems from any rivalry. I don't think there is any antagonism between us on those grounds. We had a genuine difference of view about how the two parties should develop.

I have always been quite open about it: I thought the two parties should move very closely together and campaign closely together, whereas he felt from the beginning that I was in danger of suffocating the SDP.

Now that is a perfectly straightforward view and he maintained it very firmly during the time that he was parliamentary leader of the SDP. The truth is that we get on extremely well together.

What do you think will turn out to have been the decisive issues?

On policy there are two issues. First of all, the doubts about the government's rightness in pursuing with vigour the policy of unemployment as a means to salvation. I think there are growing doubts inside the Conservative camp itself about the style and the nature of society that the present Tory leadership speaks to, and I think that is going to bring a lot of one-nation Conservative voters to us towards the end, especially now that the fear of the return of a Labour government is removed.

The second issue is the one which brought the Alliance about – reshaping politics. We have been greatly assisted by the divisions in the Labour Party, not just over the issue of defence but the whole question of Militant Tendency candidates and the inadequate grasp which the leadership has of the turmoil inside the party. I think people feel it is just not an acceptable alternative government, and therefore the chance is there for us to fill that void.

> ‘Healey and Hattersley both subscribed to a manifesto in which they didn't believe’

Has there been a decisive moment?

There have been mistakes in the campaign. The basic mistake by the Labour Party was for people like Healey and Hattersley to have actually started a campaign subscribing to a manifesto in which they did not believe. The Hattersley approach was: "We are a democratic party and whatever rubbish is in the manifesto, I support it." That is not an intellectually honest position. Under cross-examination in the campaign it all unravelled.

Do you think the Prime Minister's character and personality have proved important?

She provides positive leadership, but going round the country I am always mystified about the gap between the obvious high poll ratings she enjoys and the very strong dislike of her style of leadership among ordinary voters. I have always found she is a very strong leader, a very capable leader, and I disagree fundamentally with the direction in which she is trying to lead the country. I think she has no understanding of – and, more important – very little sympathy with how the other half lives.

If she gets her landslide majority, what do you think will be the effect on the Tory party?

I should have thought it would be disastrous. Really some of the candidates they are putting up – I am not just talking about one or two with links with the National Front – I find there is a breed of new Conservative candidate which is frankly unpleasant. There is an abrasive quality, an uncaring quality, in the old terms a very right-wing quality about many of the Tory candidates. The generality of candidates are of the Right and if there was a big Conservative majority I think the generality of the Conservative Party would be.

Tomorrow: Michael Foot

Letter from Atlantic City

Casinos hit the jackpot but the rest go bust

Before the casinos came, Atlantic City was a poor, wretched dump of a town. Five years and billions of dollars later it is a rich, wretched dump of a town with some of America's most disgusting poverty alongside some of its most fabulous wealth.

Wherever the money is going, it is not sweetening the stench of the slums and ghettos that spread haphazardly out for all who care to see just around the corner from the neon madness.

At weekends it is a crazed town, with hundreds of thousands of people from Philadelphia, New York, Boston and farther afield descending in countless numbers of coaches, aircraft and cars. Last weekend with the Frazier-Bugner fight (report, page 22) you could hardly move. There was not a vacant hotel room in town.

It all seems so incongruous. Outside the casino hotels there is nothing, absolutely nothing, save for the poor little houses, a couple of middle-class suburbs and several tedious miles of marshland.

Nowadays the city that not so long ago was the grand old lady of the East Coast, whose gentility and sophistication was attested by the smart young people who came to spend the season, is as much a gambling town as Las Vagas.

Nobody knows that more than the Las Vegas casino owners who year by year are watching their takings disappear into the ever-deepening pockets of the Atlantic City operators. The word is around, futhermore, that the Mafia has been moving money out of Las Vegas and into Atlantic City.

The famous Boardwalk exists no more in the old spirit. It is dominated by flashing casino hotels, nine glittering buildings whose impact has been fast, phenomenal and irreversible. They bring 23 million people a year to this miserable little place. They generate $1,500m (£1,000m) of revenue a year. They have sent rent and property prices through the roof.

They are also the reason why there is serious talk of a $205m redevelopment plan to raze the ravaged wateland of the city's Inlet area – the worst of the slums – and build offices, shops and houses for rich and poor.

Whether it will happen is a matter of considerable doubt judging by the farce of what the city calls its grand plan – a blueprint drawn up several years ago on how the windfall of revenues from the casinos should be spent, for the betterment of the 47,000 permanent residents.

The people of the Inlet – mostly blacks and Hispanics – are fearful and have put up a sign high on the wall of one of the slum buildings: "We live here. We are going to stay here in the South Inlet."

They are wrong. The land is owned by speculators and slums devalue the prices. Consequently there has been a steady 3,000 cases of arson a year for the past three years and the Hispanic population alone has plummeted from 5,000 to 1,500.

Nearly six years ago the New Jersey legislature legalized casino gambling in Atlantic City as "a unique tool of urban redevelopment". The casinos, it was argued, would turn the crumbling old town into a gem of the New Jersey shore.

The first casino opened and nothing has been the same since. At least 100 seaside stores have been driven out by the land-hungry casino operators and countless numbers of small-time merchants selling hot dogs and curios to the day-trippers have silently faded away.

The gambling emporiums are regulated by the Casino Control Commission, which decides everything from how the casinos can advertise themselves to the percentage the slot machines have to pay out. But at times the five-member commission seems to be no match for the skill of the gambling entrepreneurs, and even now they are frantically redrafting a loophole that allowed the operators to escape a rule requiring them to reinvest a portion of revenues into city redevelopment.

Atlantic City has received phenomenal sums of money from city taxes, much of which has financed a huge reduction in property rates.

The folks in the Inlet have not benefited, however: they have to pay anything up to $450 a month rent for their squalid houses.

The dream of rebuilding Atlantic City has proved elusive, and only time will tell if the greatest gamble of its history will pay off.

Christopher Thomas

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

The Prince and Princess of Wales attend the premiere of *Octopussy*, in aid of The Princess of Wales' Charities Trust and the Stars Organizatin for Spastics, Odeon Theatre, Leicester Square, London.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron of the Anglo-Swedish Society, attends a Society dinner, Hyde Park Hotel, London, 7.45.

Princess Anne visits Gloucester; presents the Carlton Junior School with The Save the Children Fund Gold Medallion, 2; plants a tree at the High School for Girls to commemorate the School's centenary, 3; opens the new breathing apparatus training complex at Gloucester Fire Station, 4.

Princess Margaret, President of the Girl Guides Association, attends the Annual General Meting at Commonwealth Headquarters (morning) and Merchant Taylors' Hall, (afternoon).

New exhibitions

Sculpture and drawings by Rodin and his contemporaries, Lincoln Cathedral, daily 10.30 to 5; (until July 19).

Paintings by Dennis Hawkins and ceramics by Val Barry; Oxford Gallery, 23 High Street, Oxford; Mon to Sat 10 to 5; (from today until July 6).

Exhibitions in progress

Etchings and other intaglio techniques, museum and Art Gallery, Kelvingrove, Glasgow; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5; (until June 19).

Old World News World. Antiquities from the collection of Sir Henry Wellcome, City Museum and Art Gallery, Chamberlain Square, Birmingham; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5; (until 1985).

Leading entries for the design competition for a new gallery for the Oriental Museum, University of Durham School of Oriental Studies, Elvet Hill, Durham; Mon to Fri 9.30 to 1, and 2.15 to 5, Sat 9.30 to 12, closed Sun; (until Sept 30).

Last chance to see

Rainy Days at Brig o'Turk: drawings from the Highland Sketchbooks of John Everett Millais, Fine Art Society, 12 Great King Street, Edinburgh; Mon to Fri 9.30 to 5.30, Sat 10 to 1, closed Sun; (ends tomorrow).

Paintings by Alexander Mann, Fine Art Society, 134 Blythswood Street, Glasgow; Mon to Fri 9.30 to 5.30, Sat 10 to 1, closed Sun; (ends tomorrow).

Paintings and drawings by Andrew Campbell, Colston House, Market Place, Fairford, Gloucestershire; Mon to Sat 9.30 to 5.30, closed Sun; (ends tomorrow).

Sporting Lives: A History of Blackburn Rovers, Museum and Art Gallery, Library Street, Blackburn; Mon to Fri 9.30 to 6, Sat 9.30 to 5, closed Sun, (until July 2).

Talks, lectures, films

Daily Life in Assyrian Times, by Dominique Côllon, British Museum, 11.30.

Films: *Ingres I (Romantic v Classic Art)* and *Ingres I*, National Gallery, 1.

Turner at Petworth, by Sarah Reid, Tate Gallery, 1.

The Pursuit of Novelty: What's New? A Consumer Society is Born, by S. M. Brock, Royal Scottish Museum, Chambers Street, Edinburgh, 2.

History of the Black Country, by E. S. Hughes, Birmingham and Midland Institute, Margaret Street, Birmingham, 6.30.

Music

Organ recital by Andrew Lumsden, Coventry Cathedral, 1.05.

Organ recital by Arnold Mahon, St Bartholomew's Church, Armley, Leeds, 8.

Organ recital by Jonathan Rennert, St Michael's Cornhill, EC2, 1.

Organ recital by Marcus Huxley, Southwark Cathedral, 1.10.

Recital by Plaegan Piano Quartet, Church of St Anne & St Agnes, Gresham Street, EC2, 1.10.

Concert by Ware Trio, St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, 1.05.

Concert by Morley Musica Viva Ensemble, Morley College, 61 Westminster Bridge Road, SE1, 7.30.

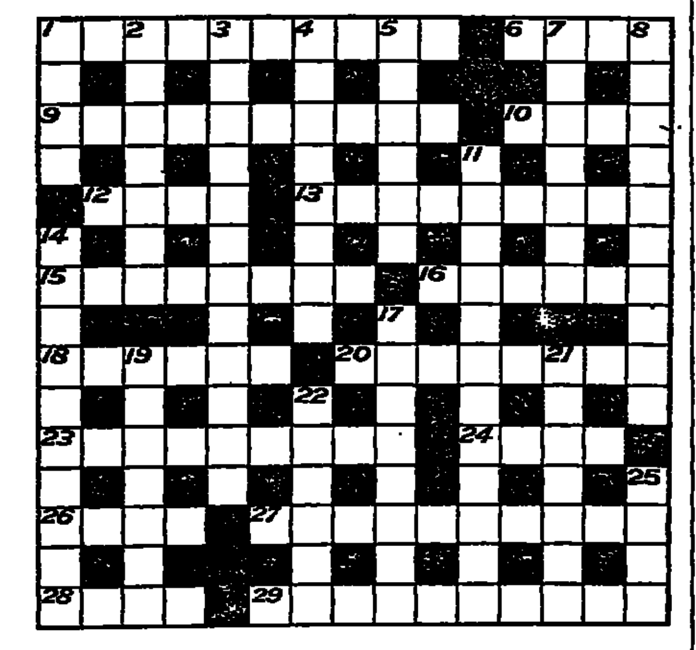
Walks

The London of Charles Dickens, meet Holborn Underground, 11am.

The City of London, meet Monument Underground (Fish Street Hill exit), 2pm.

London's Ghosts, Alleys and Oddities, meet Embankment Underground, 7.30pm.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,148



ACROSS

1 Under-tens can be an awful handful (10).
6 Singular fire-iron found in Chinese society (4).
9 He was born west of the river, not in his county town (7, 3).
10 Bespoken by Timon? (4).
12 Numbers getting small return on investment (4).
13 Country for Joel's old men in retirement (5-4).
15 Epithet for a double-jointed beef-eater? (8).
16 Not visible in the foreign mobile dwelling (6).
18 Offer that may take one in (6).
20 After enthusiastic start religious campaign is giving out (8).
23 Having a double meaning – just as talkative, for example? (9).
24 Cavalryman loses nothing on trail (4).
26 A timid appearance – so colourless (4).
27 Makes capital round-trip, but not metropolitan (6, 4).
28 Land distributed in the Transkei Reserve (4).
29 Garbled Hedda hates a reminder of mortality (6-4).

DOWN

1 The tyranny of a stiff collar (4).
2 Enjoying 12s, he has a right to entire proceeds (7).
3 Dogmatic – thought it up in the avenue! (12).
4 Member of low order can make India hop (8).
5 Kind of imagery forbidden in the Bible (6).
7 Conduct Aida for example, going over time limits (7).
8 Whence spectators may see centuries from opening batsmen? (10).
11 Her Excellency puts a costume on after dancing sambas (12).
14 Remove all evidence that school-leaver can read (10).
17 Sort of faith that asks no questions (8).
19 One guaranteeing to pay for lunch perhaps (7).
21 Fancy, a Gemini in trouble! (7).
22 Writer may score with this (6).
25 Pegged for striker (4).

The Solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No. 16,147 will appear next Saturday

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Nature notes

Birds are at all stages of nesting. Most of these summer broods, hidden in deep foliage, will survive, though the rain has washed out the nests of some blackbirds and song-thrushes. Garden warblers and blackcaps are sitting on their mottled eggs loose, grassy nests, usually in brambles or honeysuckle. There are bright green young in the domed nests of the willow warblers – they crouch on a soft bed made of two or three hundred feathers, sometimes with their tails in the entrance. The adult willow warblers will try to lure a cat or human away, calling with a pleading note, and trailing a wing as if it were broken. Young carrion crows are out in the fields: they hop heavily after their parents, still expecting to be fed.

Most trees are in leaf; but because the leafing has been so long drawn-out, this year there has not been that remarkable moment when all the trees are simultaneously at the full and in their freshest green. Horse-chestnut flowers are falling; the white blossoms reveal a deep pink mark at their centre as they wither. Hawthorn flowers are also suffused with pink as they fade.

DJM

National Day

Sweden celebrates its national flag day today. It commemorates the day in 1809 when a new constitution was introduced, separating the powers of the king and the Riksdag (parliament). King Gustav IV Adolf was deposed, following the defeat of Sweden by the Russians, and a new king was sought. The following year the French Marshal Jean Baptiste Bernadotte was chosen as successor to the throne. The 1809 constitution lasted until 1974 and the successors of Bernadotte still sit on the Swedish throne.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	1.88	1.79
Austria Sch	29.50	27.85
Belgium Fr	83.25	78.75
Canada $	2.00	1.92
Denmark Kr	14.93	14.18
Finland Mkk	9.10	8.60
France Fr	12.45	11.90
Germany DM	4.17	3.96
Greece Dr	135.00	128.00
Hongkong $	11.80	11.20
Ireland Pt	1.32	1.22
Italy Lira	2570.00	2350.00
Japan Yen	394.00	375.00
Netherlands Gld	4.68	4.45
Norway Kr	11.78	11.18
Portugal Esc	167.00	153.00
Spain Pta	223.00	212.00
Sweden Kr	12.28	11.75
Switzerland Fr	3.44	3.27
USA $	1.63	1.57

Retail Price Index: 332.5.

London: The *FT* Index closed down 0.3 on Friday at 698.4.

New York: The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 1.60 on Friday at 1213.4

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Roads

London and South-east: A40: Roadworks on Western Avenue, Perivale, NW London. Space Shuttle at Stanstead airport: extra traffic on M11 and A120 in Essex. Expected to be busy. A272: Closed between A32, junction and Petersfield, Hampshire; diversion for through traffic.

Midlands and East Anglia: M6: Northbound entry slip-road closed at junction 2 (M69 and Coventry East). M1: Lane closures between junctions 28 and 29 (A38, Mansfield to A617, Chesterfield). A46: Roadworks on Bridgefoot gyratory, Stratford-on-Avon, Warwickshire.

North: M6: Northbound lane closures between junctions 32 and 33 (M55 turn-off to Lancaster South); diversions possible. A51: Roadworks on London Road, Stapeley, Cheshire.

Wales and West: Sheep Street, Cirencester, Gloucestershire, closed, diversion. St James Street, Cheltenham, closed. A38: Lane closures at Marsh Mills viaduct, Lee Mill, Devon.

Scotland: A82: Temporary lights S of Crianlarich at Blackcraig. M9: Lane closures between junctions 5 and 7 (Falkirk to Kincardine Bridge). A85: Lane closures E of Friarton Bridge, Perthshire.

The papers

The Sunday Times would like to see the Alliance get a sizeable share of the vote on Thursday. "It would be desirable that there should be no Tory landslide, which could unleash the forces of illiberalism lying not far beneath the surface of modern Conservatism."

The Observer asks whether Mrs Thatcher has the flexibility and vision to put her understanding and exercise of power to the uses the country really needs. "What she wants is an effective Opposition to curb some of her wayward instincts", the paper concludes.

Mrs Thatcher's adminstration, warts and all, has earned reelection and offers the only hopeful course, says The Sunday Telegraph. "A second Tory term is the natural choice of sensible men and women."

Anniversaries

Births: Velasquez, baptized Seville, 1599; Aleksandr Pushkin (old style May 28), Moscow, 1799; Thomas Mann, Lübeck, Germany, 1875. Deaths: Jeremy Bentham, London, 1831; Sir John Macdonald, first prime minister of canada (1869-73, 1878-91), Ottawa, 1891. Allied troops landed in Normandy, 1944.

Bond winners

Winning numbers in the weekly draw for Premium Bond prizes are: £100,000: 13VF 098163 (the winner lives in Dorset); £50,000 24RL 143321 (London borough of Brent); £25,000: 8EN 082478 (Warwickshire).

Weather

An anticyclone will become established over the North as a trough of low pressure approaches SW England from Biscay.

6 am to midnight

London, SE, Central S, NW, Central N England, Midlands, N Wales, Isle of Man, Northern Ireland: Sunny periods, dry, becoming cloudy later; wind E, moderate or fresh; max temp 20 to 22C (70 to 72F).

East Anglia, E, NE England: Sunny intervals, dry, rather cloudy at times; wind light; max temp 15 to 17C (59 to 63F), cooler near coasts.

Channel Islands, SW England, S Wales: Cloudy, outbreaks of rain, heavy and thundery at times, coastal fog patches; wind E, fresh to strong; max temp 18 to 19C (64 to 66F).

Lake District, SW, NW, Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Argyll: Sunny periods, dry; wind E, light; max temp 13 to 15C (55 to 59F).

Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Rather cloudy, bright intervals; wind E, light; max temp 12 to 15C (54 to 59F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Mostly dry at first but rain spreading from SW to many parts; warm generally but cooler with fog patches on some coasts.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea: Wind mainly E, fresh or strong; sea moderate or rough, perhaps very rough later. **Straits of Dover, English Channel (E), St George's Channel:** Wind mainly E, fresh or strong, perhaps gale later; sea moderate or rough, perhaps very rough later. **Irish Sea:** Wind E, fresh or strong; sea moderate or rough, perhaps very rough later.

Sun rises:	Sun sets:
4.46 am	9.13 pm
Moon rises:	**Moon sets:**
2.54 am	3.20 pm

New Moon: June 11.

Lighting-up time

London 9.43 pm to 4.16 am
Bristol 9.52 pm to 4.25 am
Edinburgh 10.22 pm to 4.0 am
Manchester 10.02 pm to 4.13 am
Penzance 9.57 pm to 4.44 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	c	14	57	Guernsey	s	17	63
Birmingham	f	19	66	Inverness	c	11	52
Blackpool	s	18	64	Jersey	s	20	68
Bristol	c	16	61	London	s	21	70
Cardiff	f	18	64	Manchester	s	16	61
Edinburgh	c	11	52	Newcastle	c	11	52
Glasgow	c	12	54	Ronaldsway	fg	14	57

London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 21C (70F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 15C (59F). Humidity: 6 pm, 55 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, .03in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 5.2hrs. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1023.2 millibars, rising.

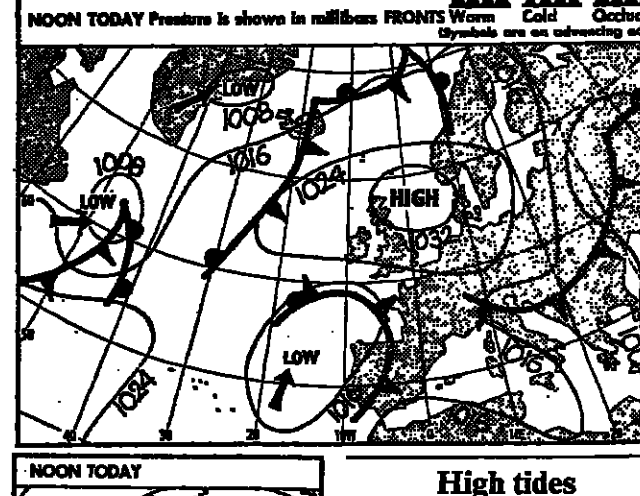
Saturday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 23C (73F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 15C (59F). Humidity: 6 pm, 46 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, .01in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 9.1hrs. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1021.7 millibars, falling.

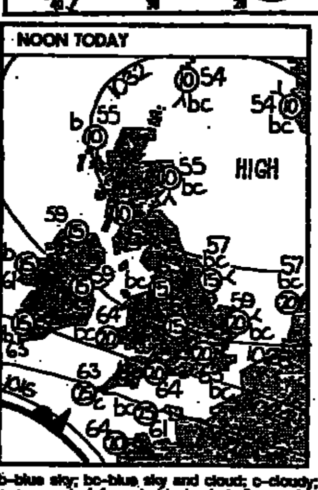
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Highest and lowest

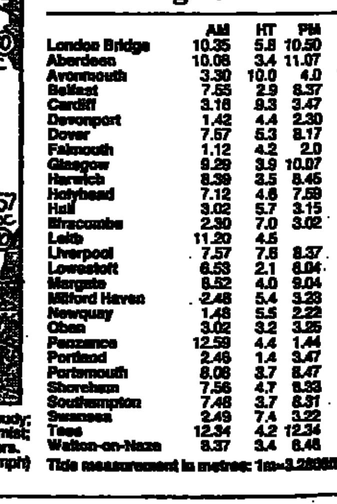
Sunday: Highest day temp: Jersey 23C (73F); lowest day max: Fraserburgh 9C (48F); highest rainfall: Poole 2.39 in; highest sunshine: Southport 13.9 hr.

Saturday: Highest day temp: London 23C (73F); lowest day max: Wick, Fraserburgh 8C (46F); highest rainfall: Eskdalemuir 1.26 in; highest sunshine: Folkestone 11.2 hr.





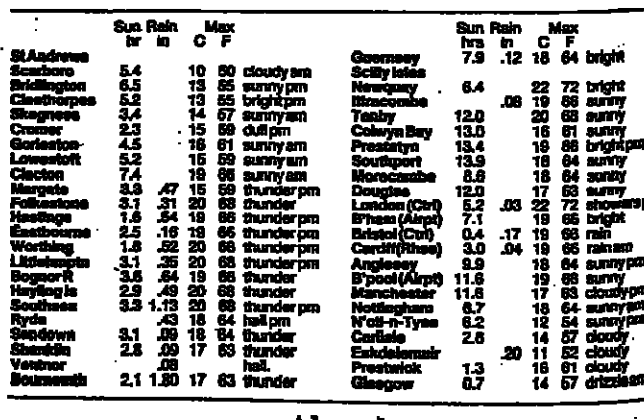
b–blue sky; bc–blue sky and cloud; c–cloudy; o–overcast; f–fog; d–drizzle; h–hail; m–mist; r–rain; s–snow; th–thunderstorm; p–showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. temperatures fahrenheit.



High tides

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	10.35	5.8	10.50	5.7
Aberdeen	10.08	3.4	11.07	3.4
Avonmouth	3.30	10.0	4.0	10.1
Belfast	7.55	2.9	8.37	2.9
Cardiff	3.18	9.3	3.47	9.4
Devonport	1.42	4.4	2.30	4.5
Dover	7.57	5.3	8.17	5.6
Falmouth	1.12	4.2	2.0	4.1
Glasgow	9.29	3.9	10.07	3.9
Harwich	8.39	3.5	8.45	3.5
Holyhead	7.12	4.8	7.59	4.6
Hull	3.02	5.7	3.15	6.0
Ilfracombe	2.30	7.0	3.02	7.0
Leith	11.20	4.5		
Liverpool	7.57	7.6	8.37	7.6
Lowestoft	6.53	2.1	8.04	2.0
Margate	8.52	4.0	9.04	4.0
Milford Haven	2.48	5.4	3.28	5.4
Newquay	1.48	5.5	2.22	5.5
Oban	3.02	3.2	3.25	3.0
Penzance	12.59	4.4	1.44	4.3
Portland	2.46	1.4	3.47	1.4
Portsmouth	8.08	3.7	8.47	4.0
Shoreham	7.56	4.7	8.33	5.1
Southampton	7.48	3.7	8.31	3.9
Swansea	2.49	7.4	3.22	7.4
Tees	12.34	4.2	12.34	4.4
Walton-on-Naze	8.37	3.4	8.48	8.4

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.



Around Britain

	Sun hr	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
St Andrews					
Scarboro	5.4		10	50	cloudy am
Bridlington	6.5		13	55	sunny pm
Cleethorpes	5.2		13	55	bright pm
Skegness	3.4		14	57	sunny am
Cromer	2.3		15	59	dull pm
Gorleston	4.5		16	61	sunny am
Lowestoft	5.2		15	59	sunny am
Clacton	7.4		19	66	sunny am
Margate	3.3	.47	15	59	thunder pm
Folkestone	3.1	.31	20	68	thunder
Hastings	1.6	.54	19	66	thunder pm
Eastbourne	2.5	.16	19	66	thunder pm
Worthing	1.8	.52	20	68	thunder pm
Littlehampton	3.1	.35	20	68	thunder pm
Bognor R	3.6	.64	19	66	thunder
Hayling Is	2.9	.49	20	68	thunder
Southsea	3.3	1.13	20	68	thunder pm
Ryde		.43	18	64	hail pm
Sandown	3.1	.09	18	64	thunder
Shanklin	2.8	.09	17	63	thunder
Ventnor		.08			hail.
Bournemouth	2.1	1.80	17	63	thunder

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Guernsey	7.9	.12	18	64	bright
Scilly Isles					
Newquay	6.4		22	72	bright
Ilfracombe		.08	19	66	sunny
Tenby	12.0		20	68	sunny
Colwyn Bay	13.0		16	61	sunny
Prestatyn	13.4		19	66	bright pm
Southport	13.9		18	64	sunny
Morecambe	8.8		18	64	sunny
Douglas	12.0		17	63	sunny
London (Ctrl)	5.2	.03	22	72	showers pm
B'ham (Airpt)	7.1		19	66	bright
Bristol (Ctrl)	0.4	.17	19	66	rain
Cardiff (Rhoo)	3.0	.04	19	66	rain am
Anglesey	9.9		18	64	sunny pm
B'pool (Airpt)	11.6		19	66	sunny
Manchester	11.6		17	63	cloudy pm
Nottingham	6.7		18	64	sunny pm
N'cstl-n-Tyne	6.2		12	54	sunny pm
Carlisle	2.6		14	57	cloudy
Eskdalemuir		.20	11	52	cloudy
Prestwick	1.3		16	61	cloudy
Glasgow	0.7		14	57	drizzle am

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

		C	F			C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	26	79	Copenhgn	c	14	57	Majorca	s	33	91	Rio de Jan			
Akrotiri	f	25	77	Corfu	s	31	88	Malaga	c	22	72	Rome	s	29	84
Alexandria	s	26	79	Dallas				Malta	s	31	88	Salzburg	f	29	84
Algiers	s	25	77	Dublin	f	15	59	Melbourne				Sao Paulo			
Amsterdam	s	20	68	Dubrovnik	s	29	84	Mexico C				S Francisco			
Athens	f	28	82	Faro	r	31	70	Miami*				Santiago*			
Bahrain				Florence	c	32	90	Milan	s	30	86	Seoul			
Barbados				Frankfurt	f	23	73	Montreal				Singapore			
Barcelona	s	27	81	Funchal	f	18	64	Moscow				Stockholm	f	07	45
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